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THE SPIRAL STAIR-CASE

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DEDICATION

He is a man of many faces. As a prism has many sides, so he too has many commendable qualities. He is enveloped in the entire spectrum of education—as a teacher, an advisor, a coach, and a friend! "Prepared in mind and body" —While others have the responsibility of preparing the students in mind, he chooses to prepare them both physically and mentally.

He is always willing to aid any student in finding the solution to a problem. His advice is always accepted with the deepest respect.

Nelson County High is noted for it's outstanding athletic accomplishments-whether it be in football, basketball, baseball, or track. It is to him that we owe this recognition of success.

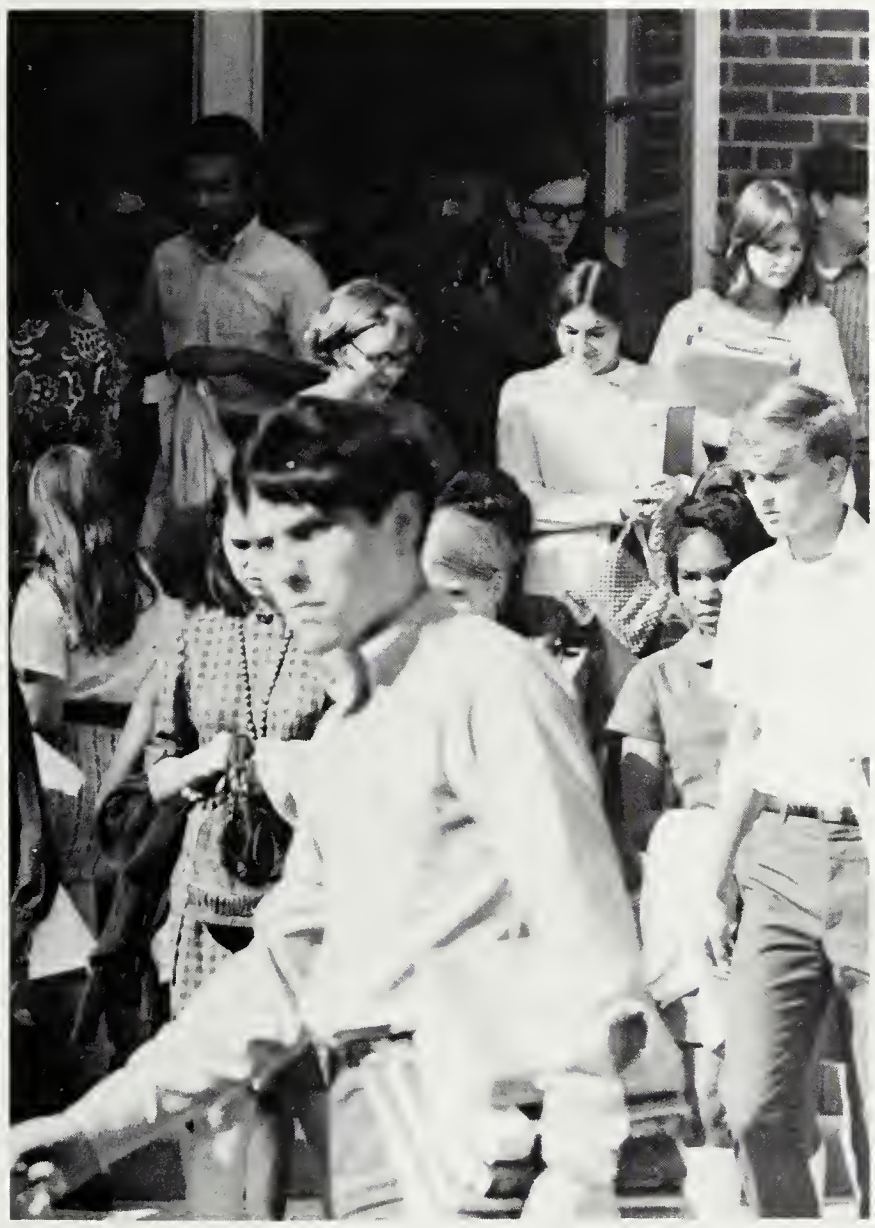
Surely, he is a friend to all! His smiling face serves as an inspiration to all students at Nelson County High.

Standing at the bottom
  Looking up . . .
The Spiral Staircase
  Towering above.
Students with faltering steps
  Continue the climb
To the top.
  But along the way
There are many stops.
  Some for fun
. . . but some for work.
  There are moments of joy
But also of sorrow.
  Life goes on
And stops for none.

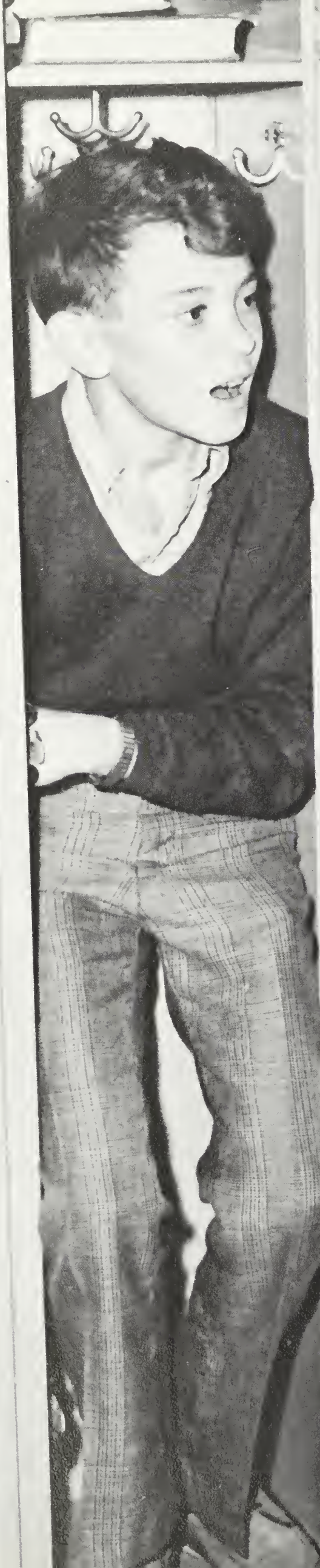
Individual students
  Each one different
Continue the climb
  To the top of the steps
And there awaits them
  The most decisive step.
Some venture no further
  While others are daring
An occupation for some
  College for others
A variety of careers
  Await the Senior!
Along the way
  We meet accomplishments
Some seem trivial
  And others rewarding.

Sports are numerous
Each to its' season
Spirits are high
The outcome uncertain.

Led by the cheerleaders
Onward to victory
Students upholding
The GREEN and the GOLD.



LOOK UP . . . AND CLIMB THE STAIRS TO SUCCESS — LIFE



STUDENT LIFE

They're ready to go!

Don't the girls seem eager to exercise?

Mrs. Bragg watches as her students work studiously!

Love - the long and the short of it!

Time for a breather between lunches.

Someone is always hoping for a break in the line!

Time for a nutritious meal (and a chance to gossip).

Lunch also provides time to discuss important business for some.

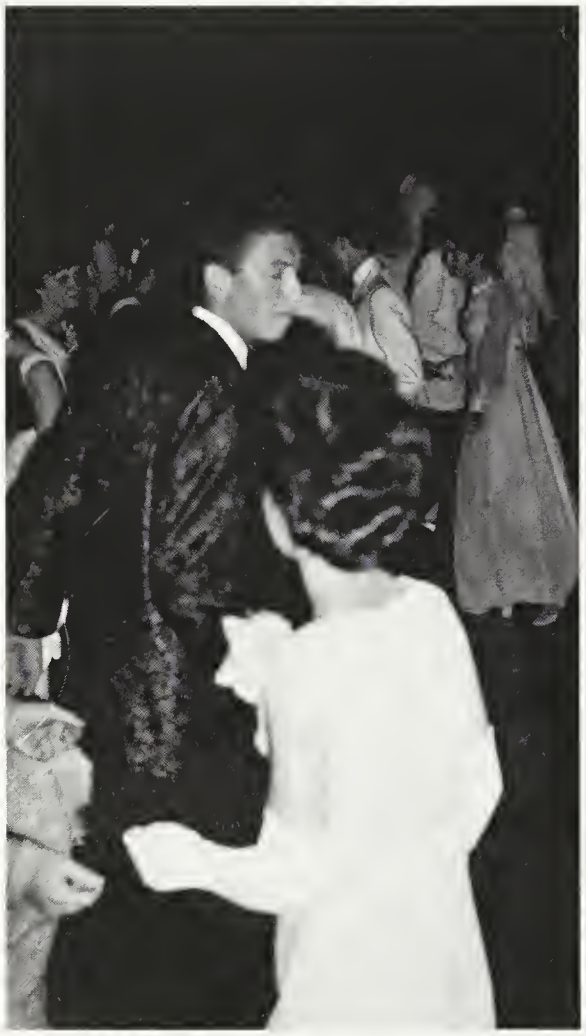
Checking the income from the yearbook sales.

The annual room is also used as a clinic, but Donnie does not look too sick!

The FFA boys help add to the decoration in the halls!

REVIEW OF LAST SPRING

Receiving the Class Ring is a highlight of the Junior year!



After days of preparation, the "big night" finally arrives.

The Juniors complete the final stages of preparations for the prom.

WE BEGIN '70 - '71

Assemblies can be a real experience!

Seniors climbing the steps to enter their final year at NCHS!

Now that we have the ball what do we do with it?

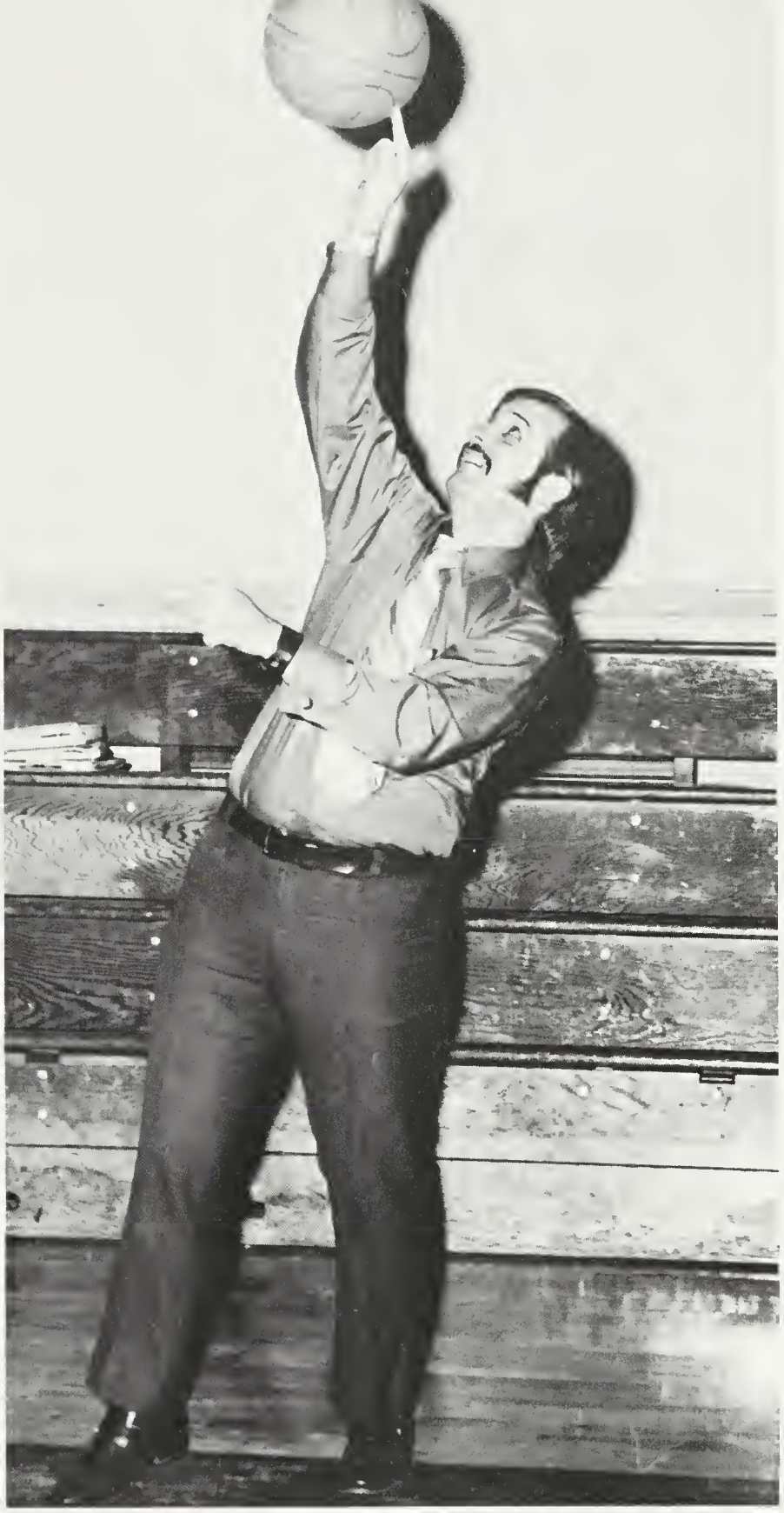
Are you sure this is Spanish? It sounds Greek to me!

You'd think they were starving!

"I just washed my hands, and I can't do a thing with them!"

"The Mod Squad"

Do you think we really need a director?



It's amazing what "trick" photography can do!

Good to the last drop!

Office duty can be a trying experience.

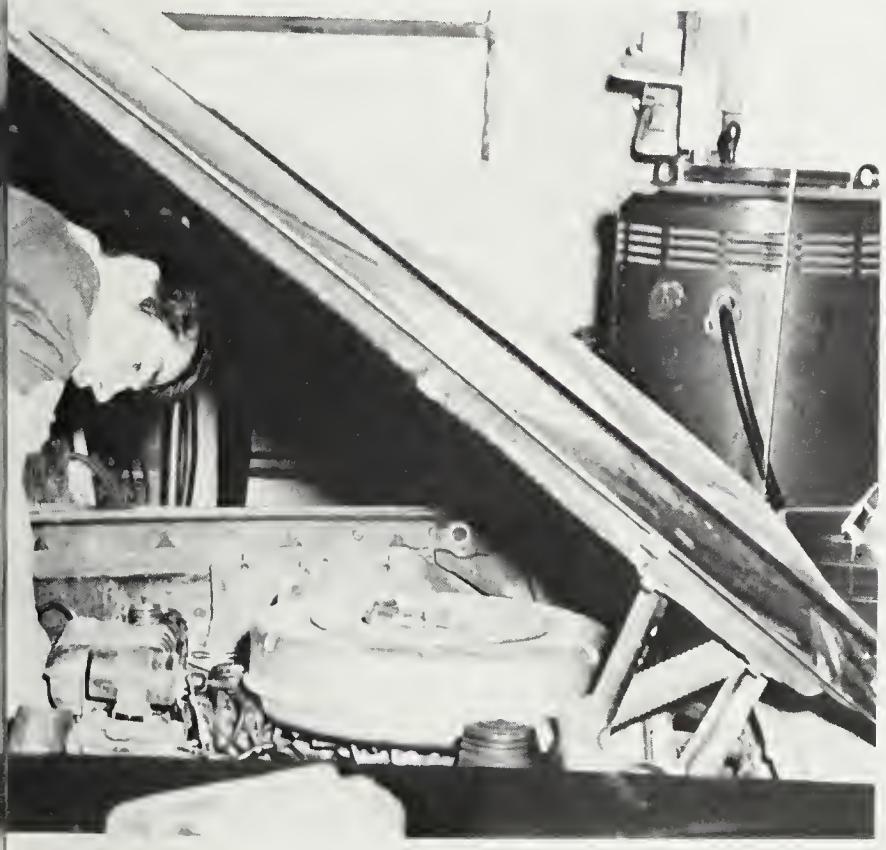
Believe me, this hurts me more than it hurts you!

Who's that behind those Foster Grants?

I think the rubber band broke!

I wish my typewriter could spell!

I thought this day would never end!



Anything you can do, I can do better!

Mitch being driven out of bounds!

Nelson gains yardage and comes closer to the touchdown.

Plowing forward toward the goal line!

Buzz refuses to let 6 points be taken away! Nelson scores again!

Happiness is-another touchdown!

Our faithful fans join in the fun!

We all await the point after the touchdown!

It's good! We all cheer "Golden Toes"!

What We Do In Our Free Time

Skip football practice . . .

Patch up and go on!!

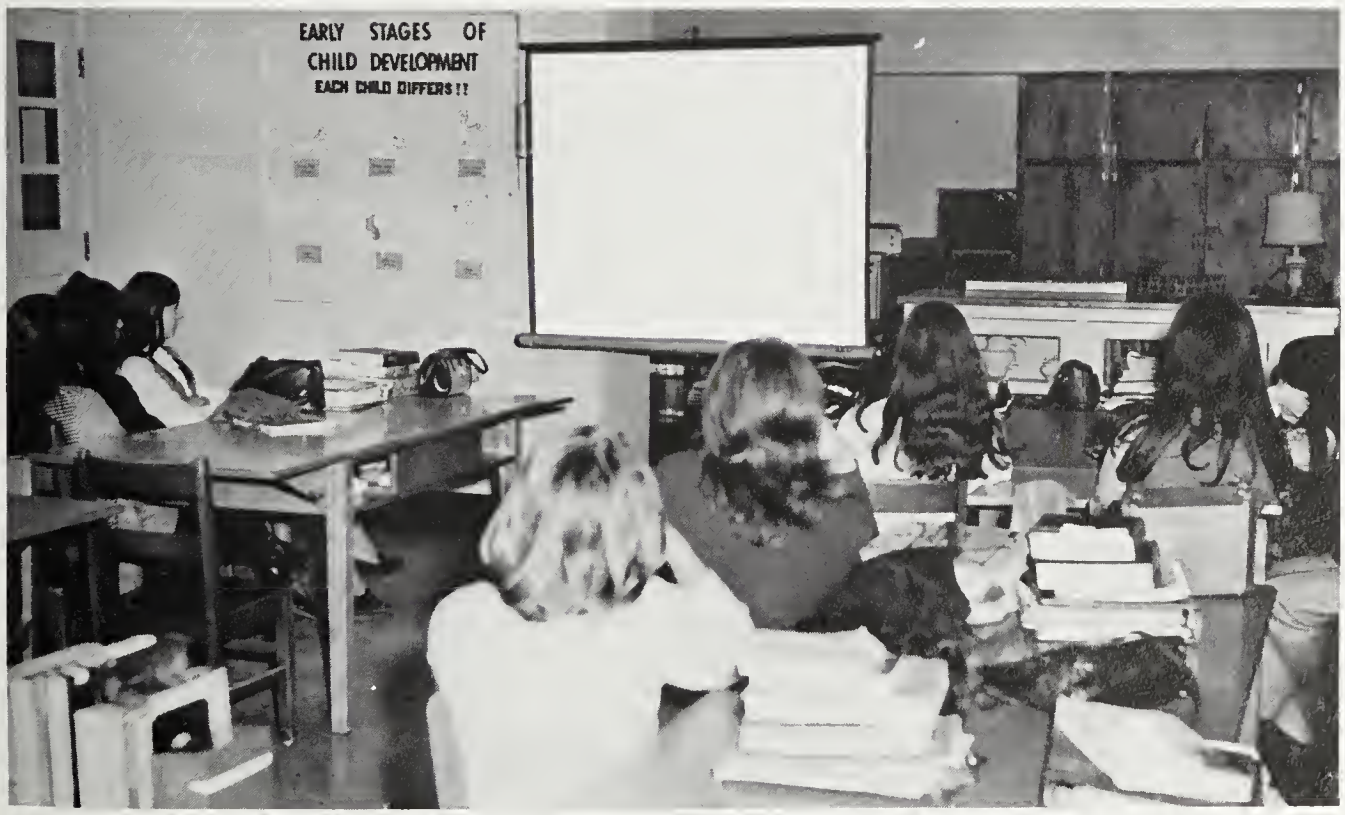
Get help when needed!

Try to communicate in Spanish.

Make decisions together!

Make music.

Skip class . . .



Watch silent movies!

It's good to have someone to talk to after facing students all day.

Homecoming Queen, Thea Hughes, and her escort appear very happy.

Look boys, you've got to get this straight!

Decorating the Christmas tree for the SCA adds excitement to the season.

NCHS students "get down" on the soul sound.

The joys of that first lab.

Bonnie Seaman has been a great help in the Guidance department this year! What would we have done without her?

Do you think it bites?!?

Before the Homecoming game, we all cheer, "Victory, Victory, NHS!"

Queen Thea and her escort dance to the music by the Mason Prophet.

King Mitch and his date pose for a picture.

The Lancers preform "The Sounds of Music" for the Prom.

HOMECOMING COURT

King, Mitch Ferguson and Queen, Thea Hughes at the Homecoming Dance.

Junior Representatives: Billy Ferguson, Carol Gordon, Diane Epps, and Buzz Goad.

Sophomore Representatives: Danny Ferguson, Nancy Slosson, Bruce Campbell, and Yvonne Miller.

Freshman Representatives: Rosemary Roberts, Bennie Campbell, Rhonda Briggs, and Richard Moon.

Senior Representatives: Mel Green, Teresa Wood, Mitch Ferguson, Thea Hughes, Mike Davidson, and Anita White.

SENIOR SUPERLATIVES

Ambition Unlimited — Debbie Tomlin and Donnie Harvey.

Personality Plus — Courtney Heath and Carlisle Habel.

Cutest — Wanda Pannell and Mitch Ferguson.

Most Intelligent — Faye Browning and John Quick.

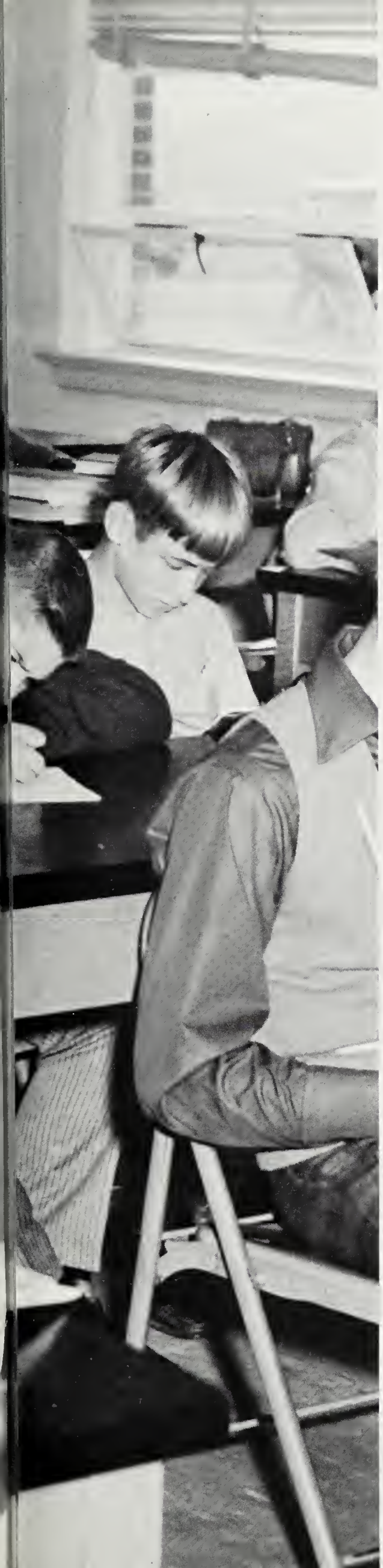
Best Dressed — Pam Thompson and Mike Kidd.

Most School Spirited — Monica Goad and Leon Brandt.

Grooviest — Starlet Stevens and Mike Goff.

Sports Favorite — Elizabeth Green and Mike Davidson.

Most Talented — Louise Cooke and Joey O'Brien.



CLASSES

CLASS OF '74

The first step is always the hardest! The Freshmen are well aware of this fact. The first year of high school is one of adjustment and aquaintance with the general procedures of the school.

The first day is usually one of confusion and utter chaos. Many Freshmen find themselves lost in the corridors, as they are swept along by the other students. However, after a few days, the general pattern for student life is set. The Freshmen year is not the most exciting, but it is a vital step along the road to higher education.

Freshman Class Officers: Jeff Fields, President; Mark Garwood, Vice-President; Rhonda Briggs, Secretary-Treasurer; Catherine Shelton, Reporter.

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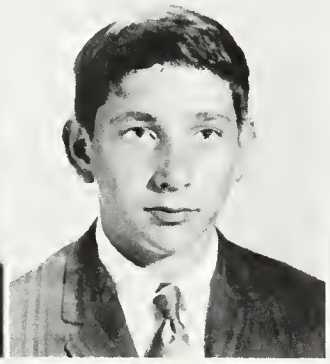

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Alfred Allen

Houston Allen

Melvin Allen

Sharon Darlene Allen

Sharon Elaine Allen

Thomas Allen

Catherine Allen

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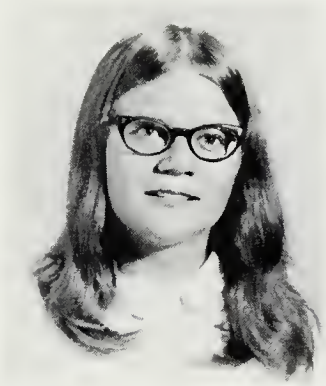
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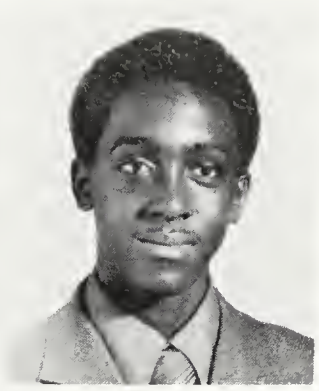
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Bobby Barnett

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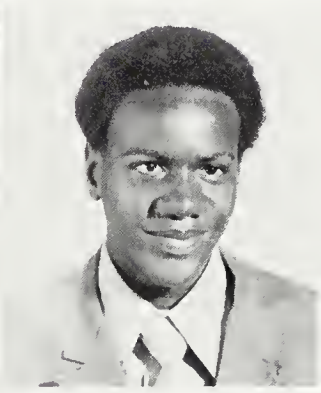
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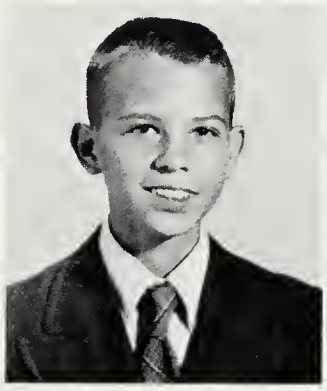
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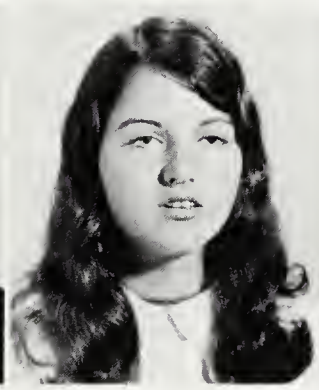
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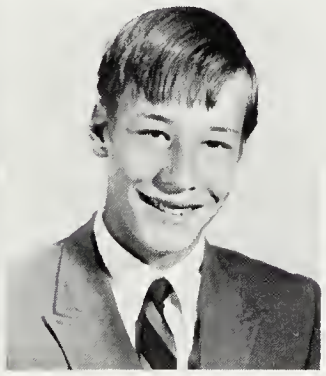
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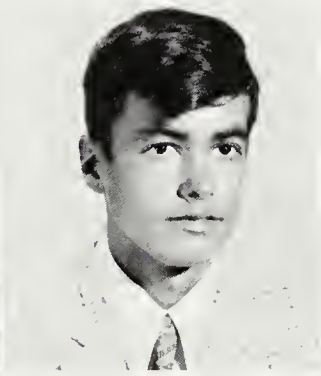
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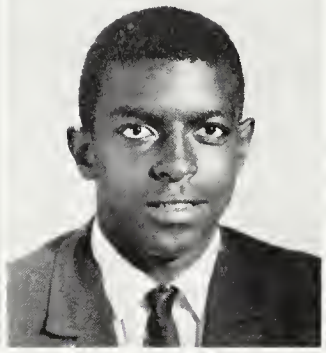
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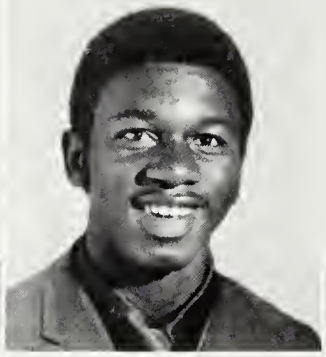
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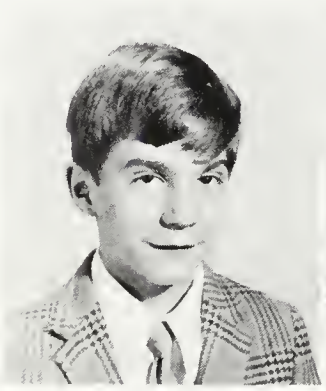
Janet Campbell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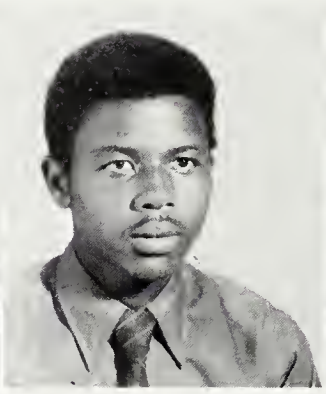
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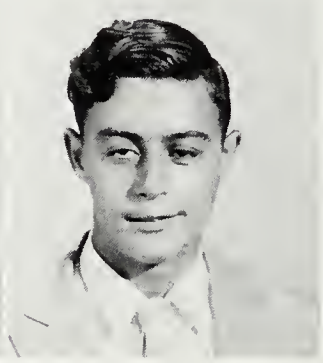
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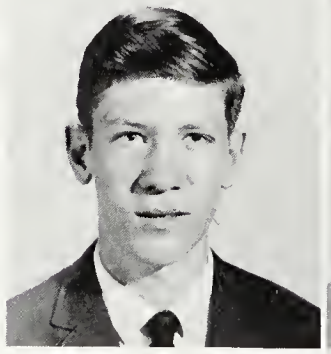
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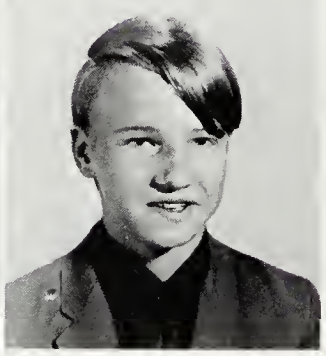
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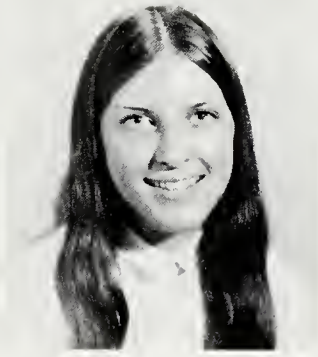
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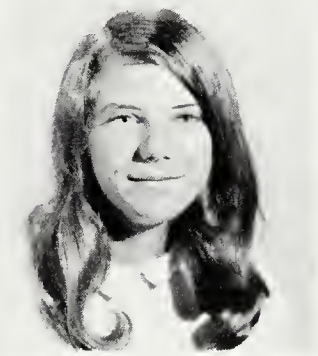
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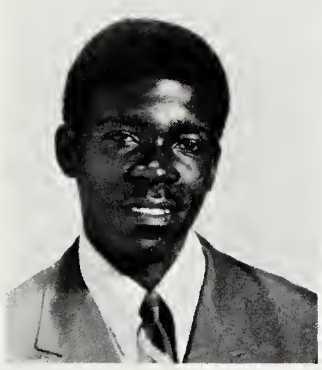
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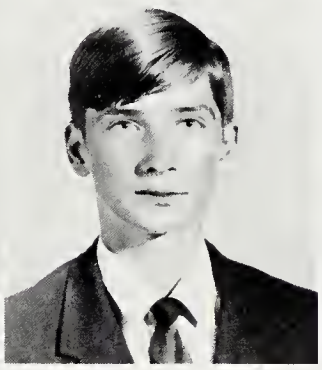
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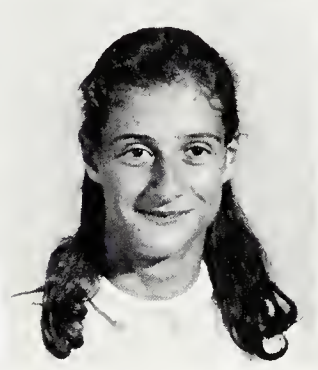
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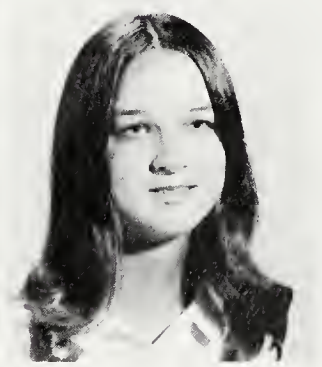
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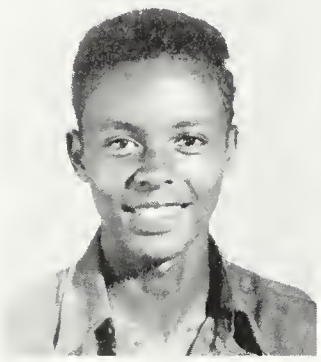
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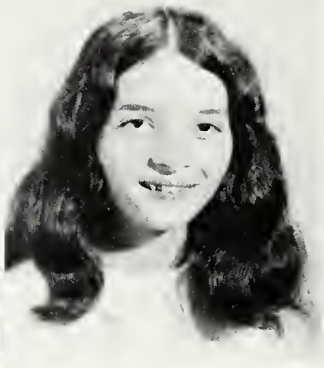
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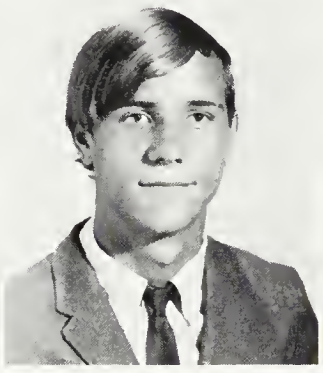
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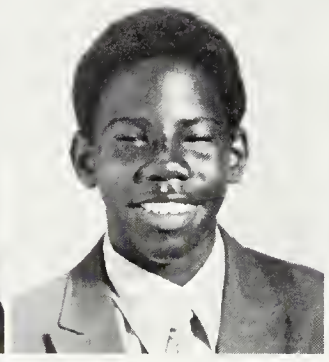
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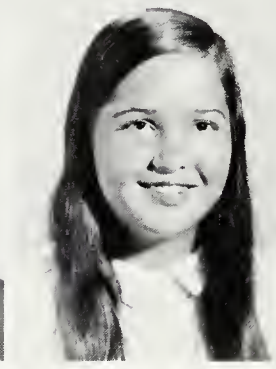
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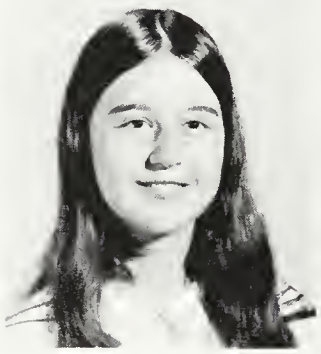
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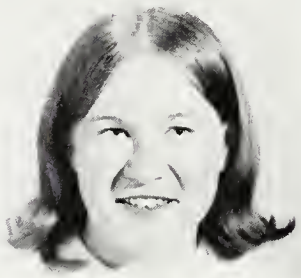
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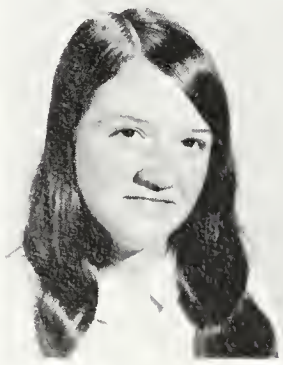
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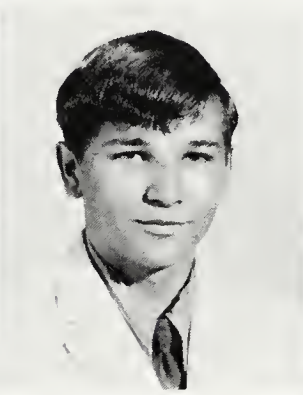
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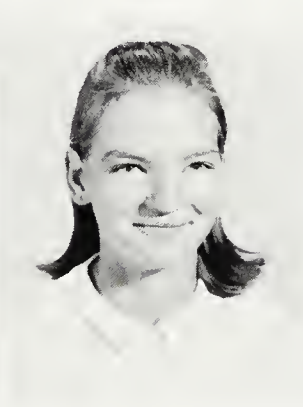
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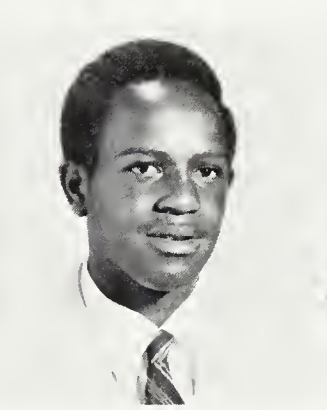
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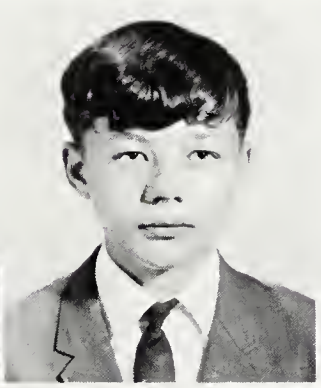
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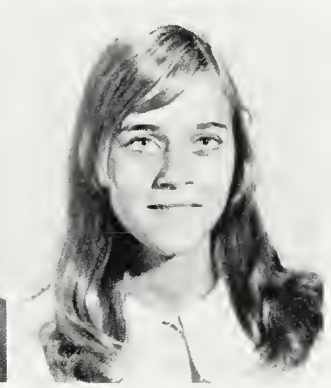
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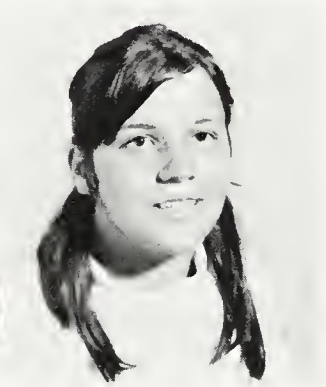
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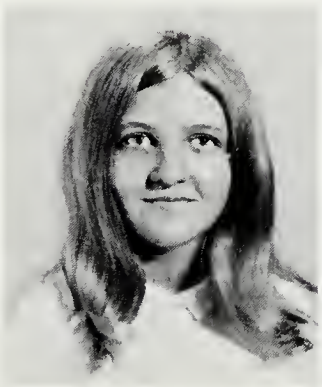
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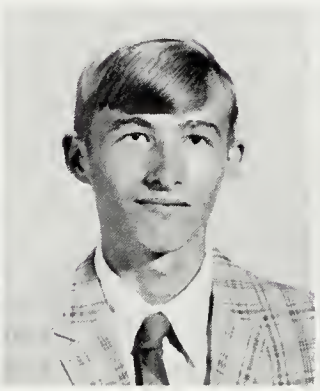
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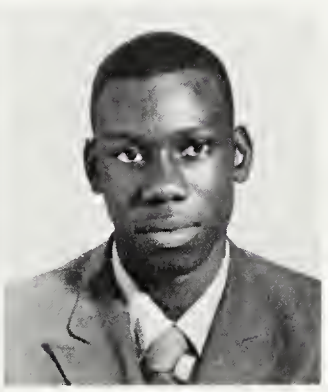
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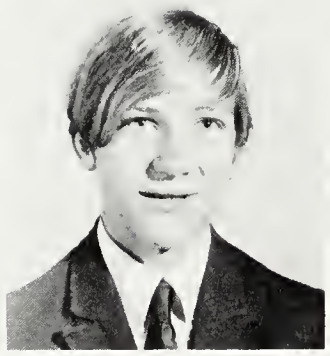
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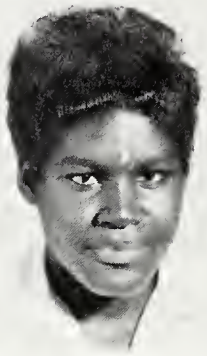
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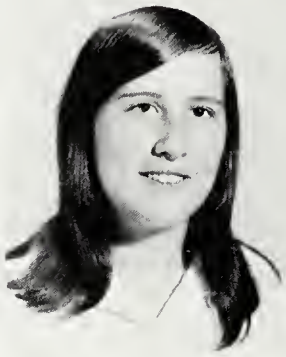
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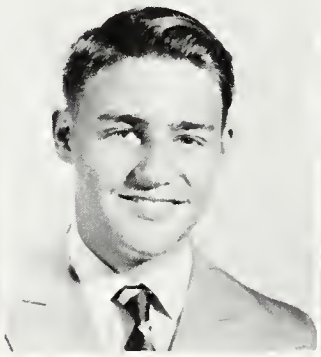
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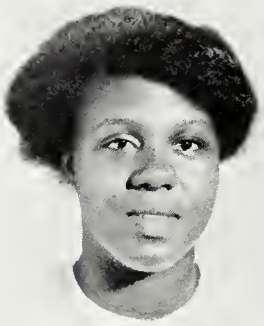
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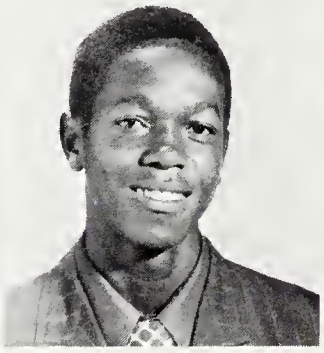
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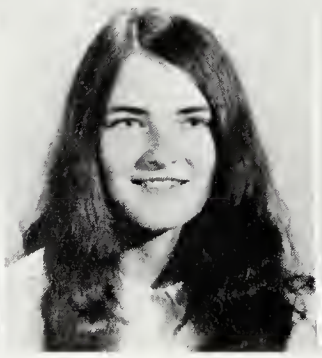
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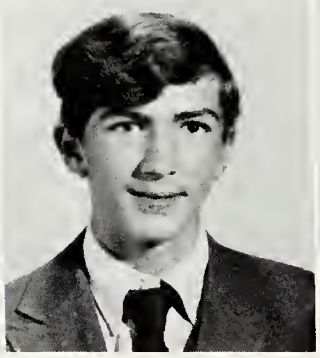
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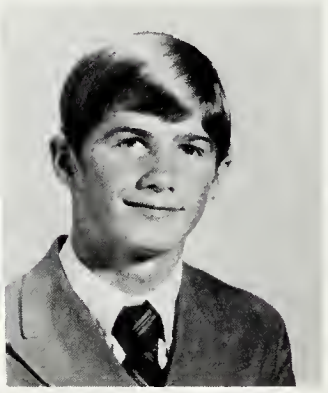
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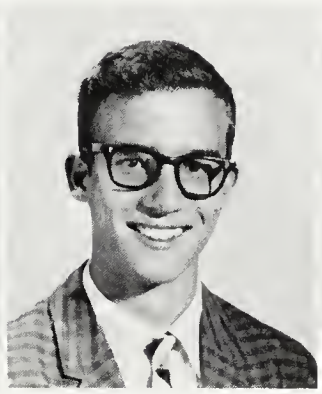
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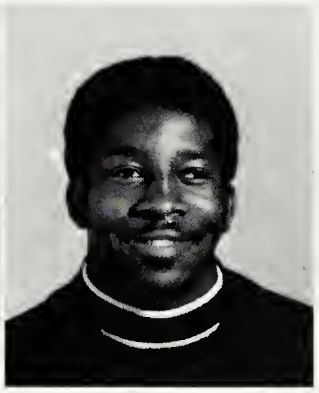
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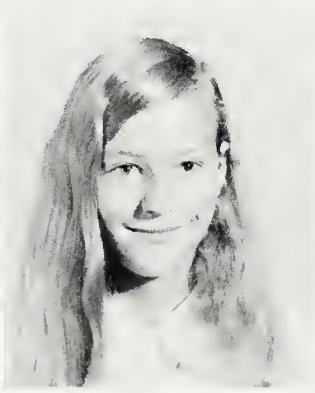
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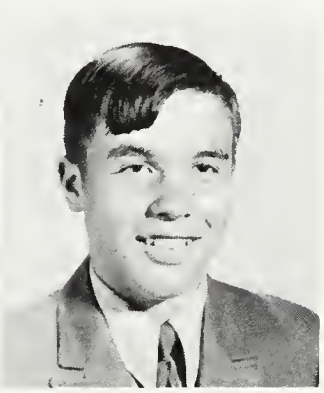
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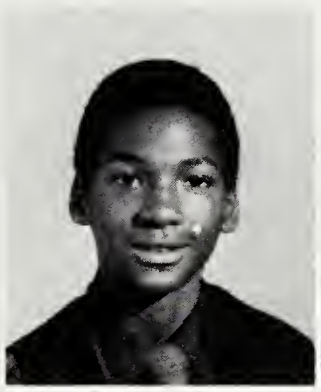
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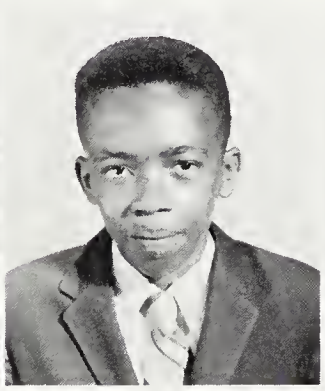
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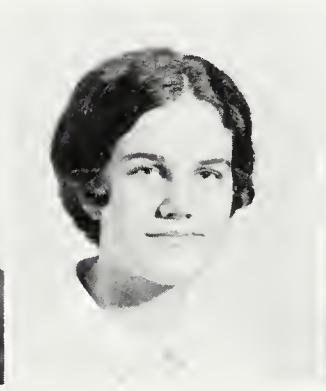
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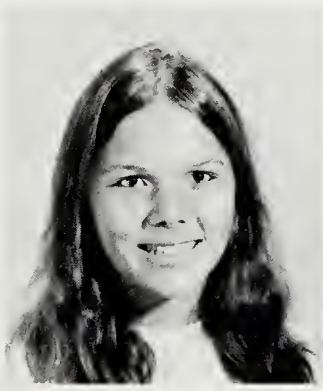
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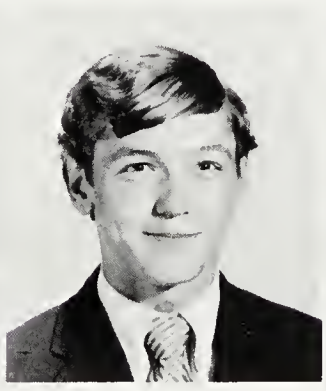
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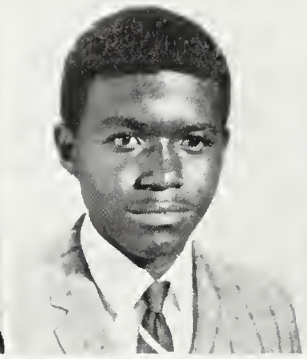
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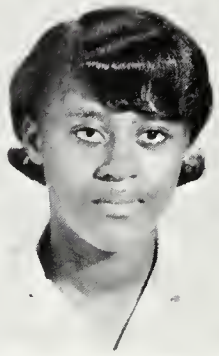
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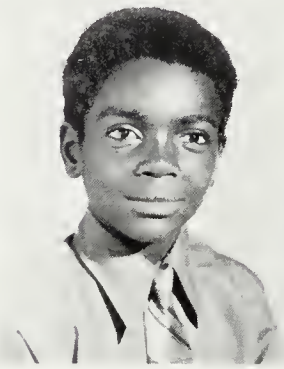
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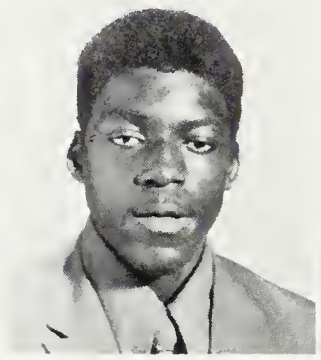
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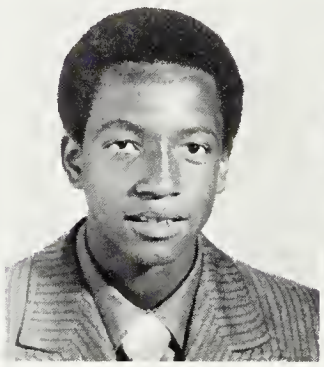
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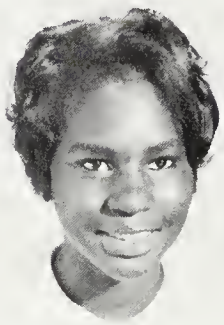
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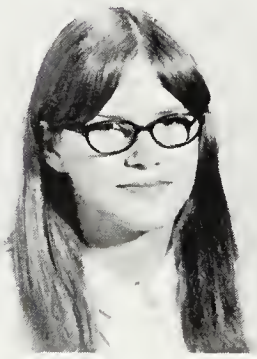
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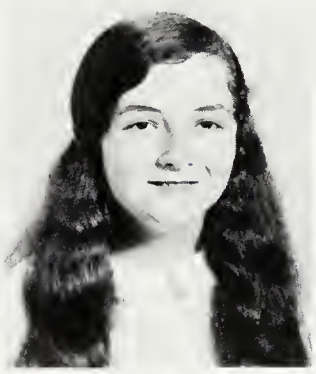
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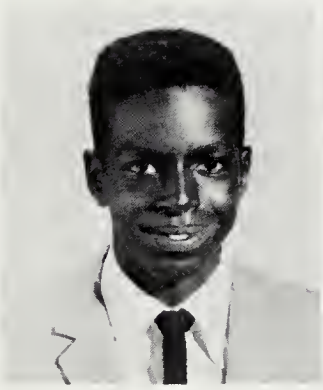
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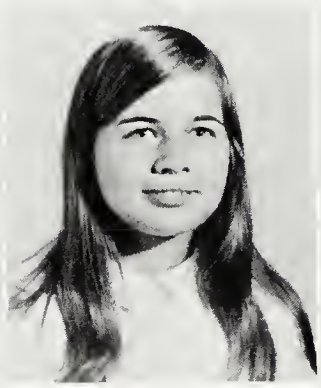
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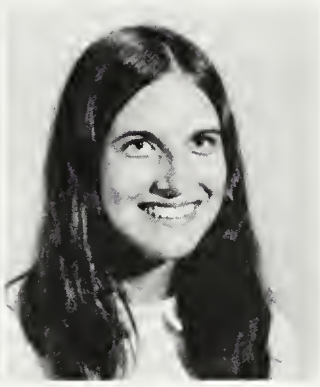
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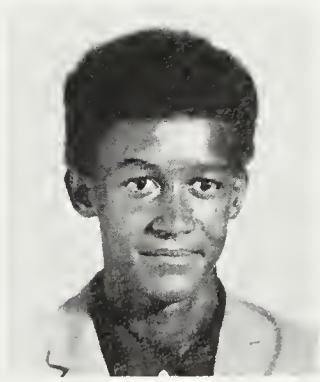
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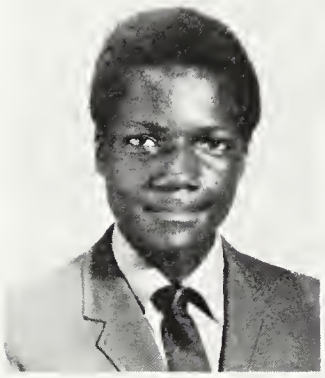
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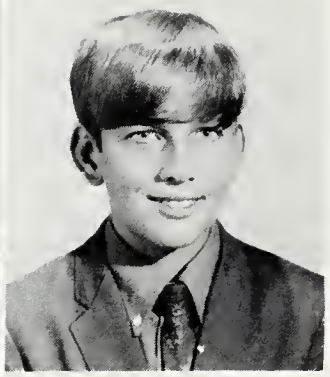
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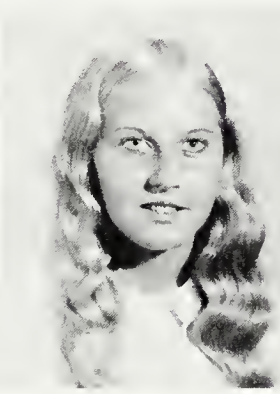
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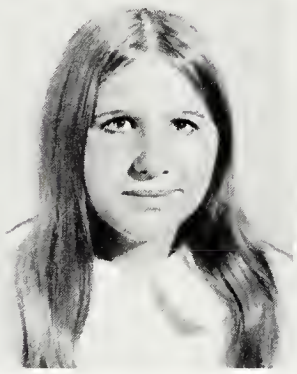
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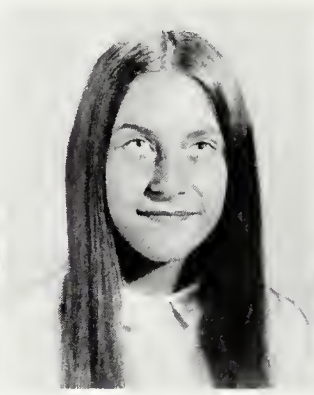
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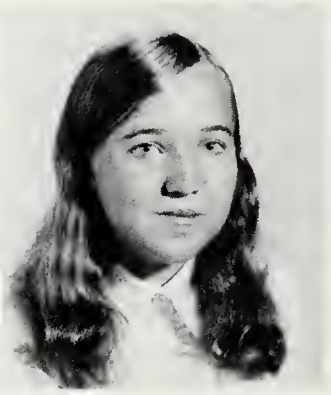
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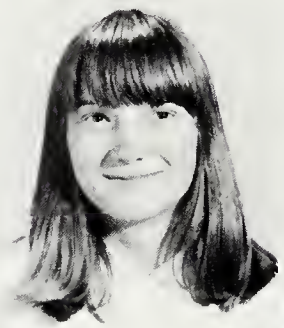
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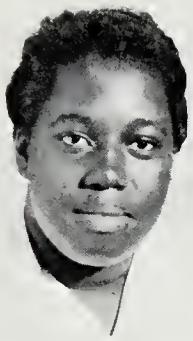
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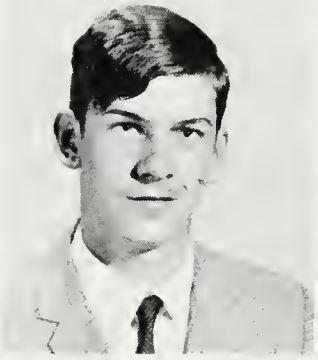
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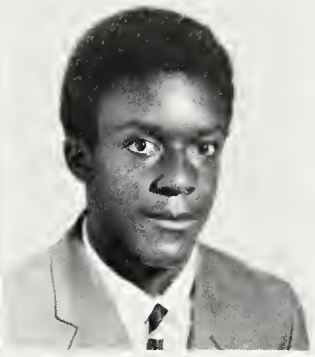
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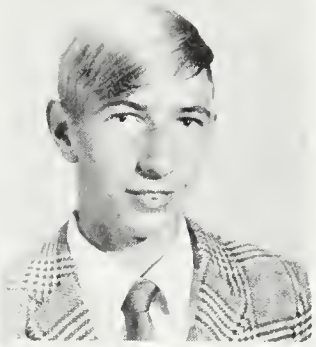
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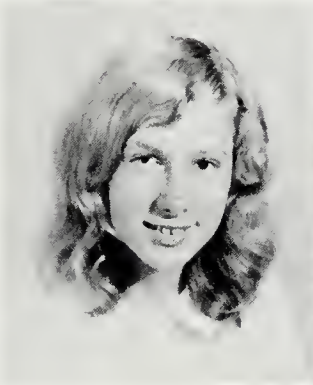
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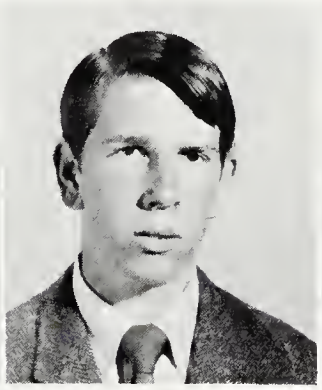
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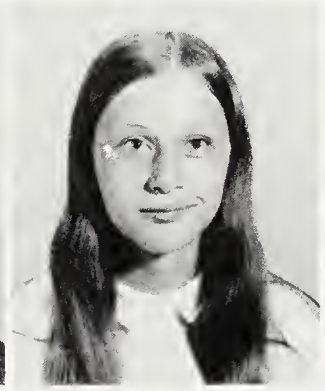
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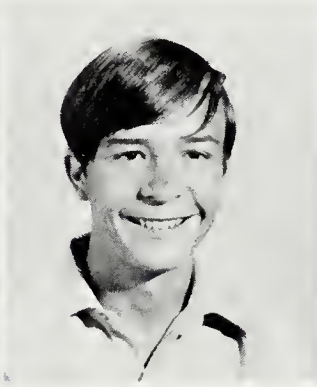
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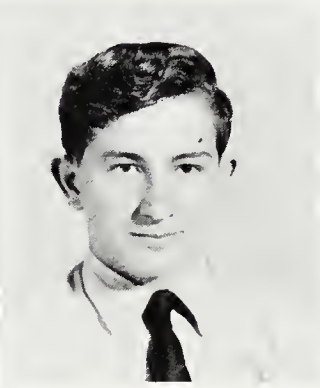
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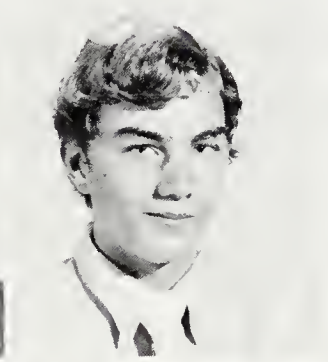
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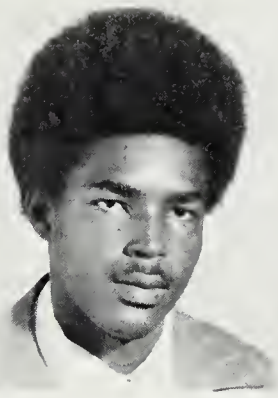
SOPHOMORES

Sophomores Joyce, Yvonne, and Barbara back Starlet at the Rustburg game!

Sophomore Class Officers: President, Tommy Harvey; Vice President, Bruce Campbell; Secretary-Treasurer, Jackie Clark; Reporter, Danny Ferguson.

The Sophomores have now reached the turning point of their high school career. The years of adjustment have been completed and the time for making decisions has arrived. The next two years will be the fulfillment of things dreamed of in the past.



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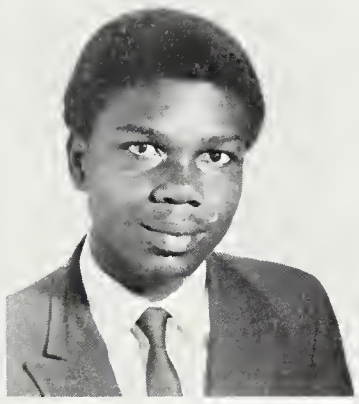

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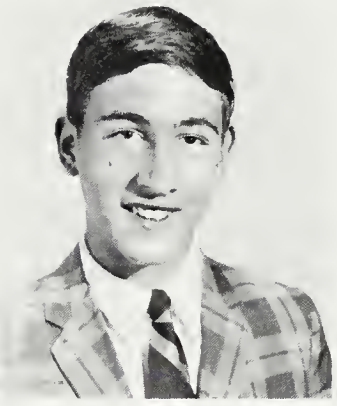

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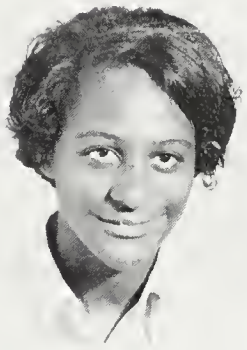

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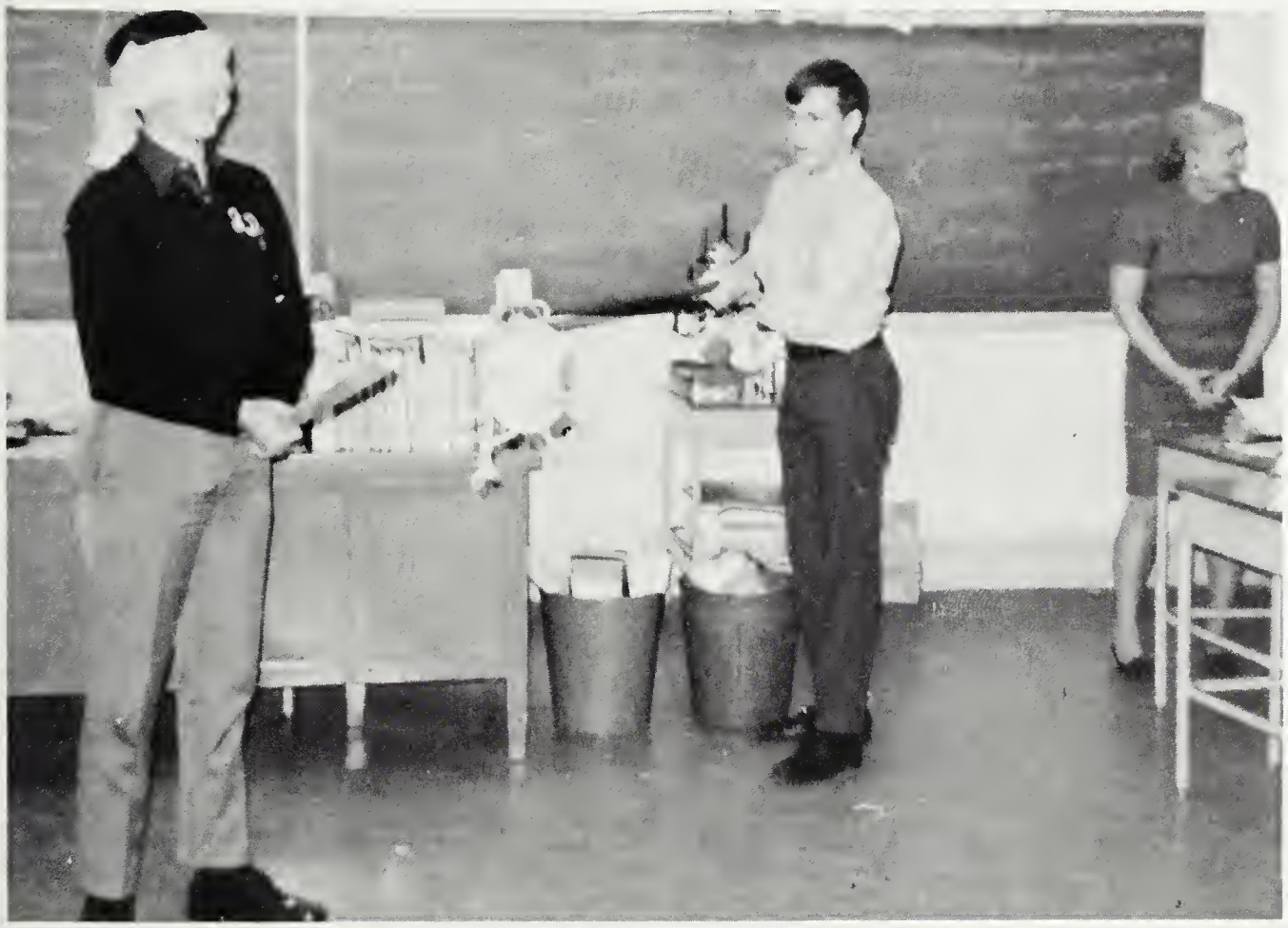

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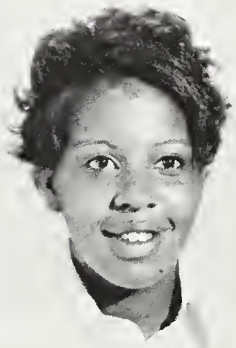

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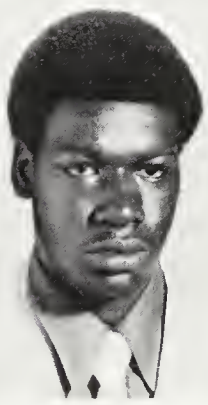

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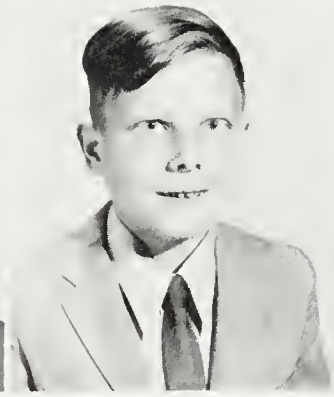

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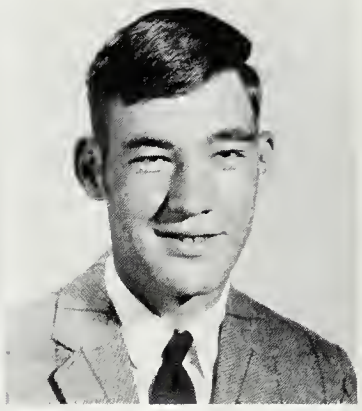

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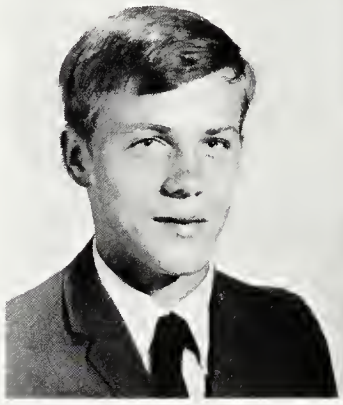

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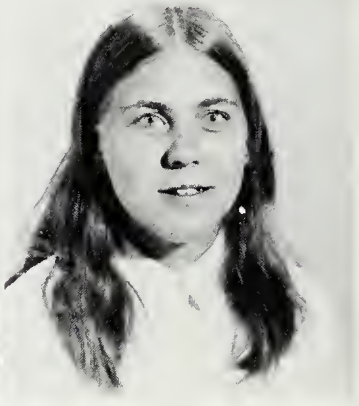

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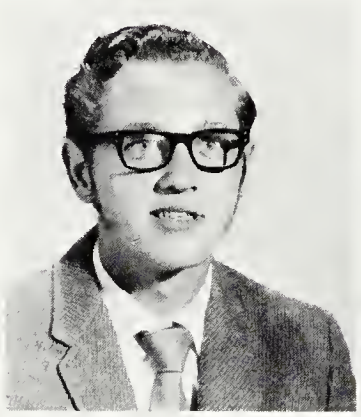

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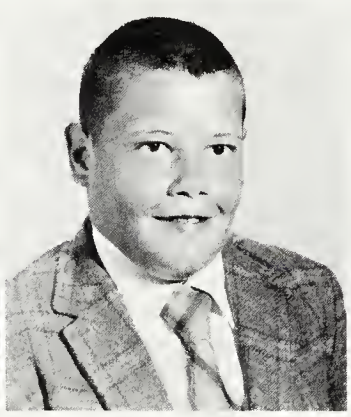

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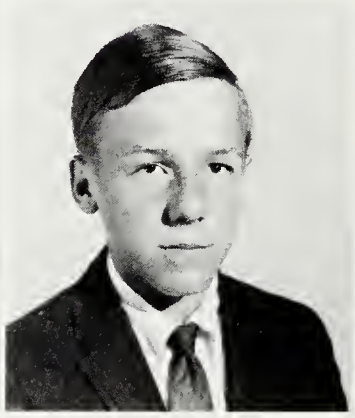

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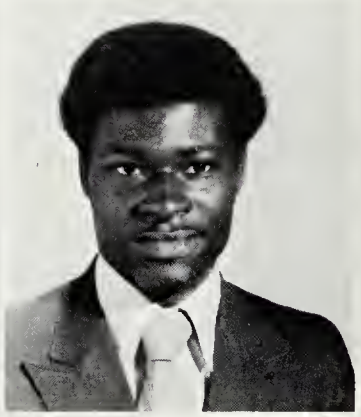

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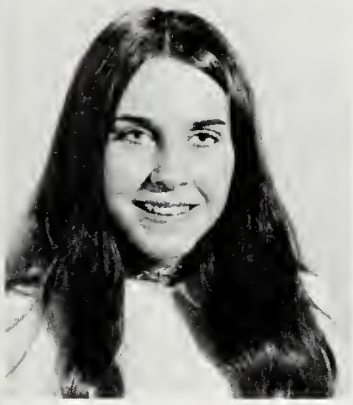

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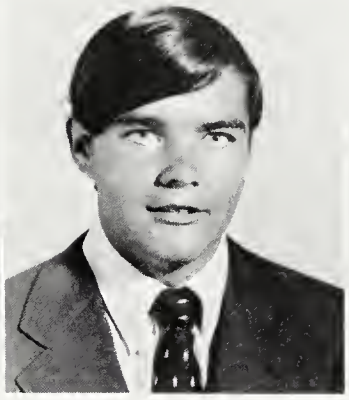

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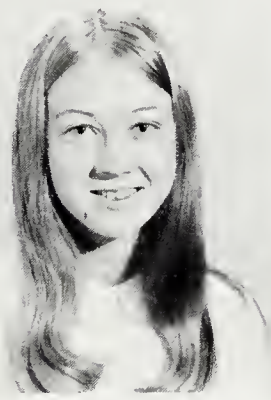

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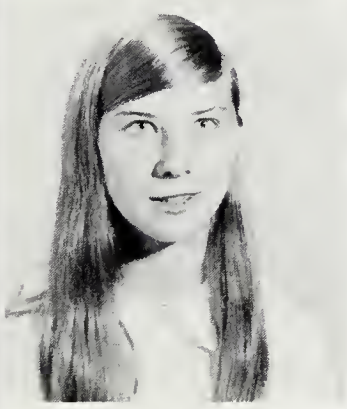

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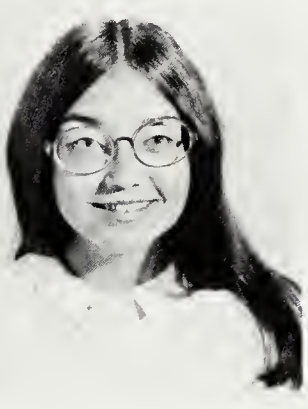

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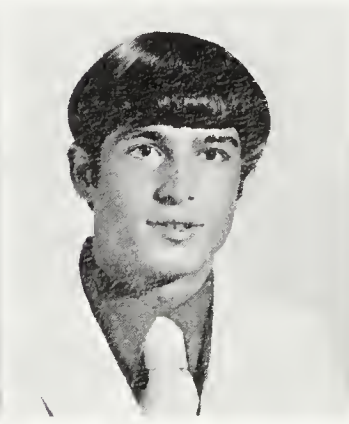

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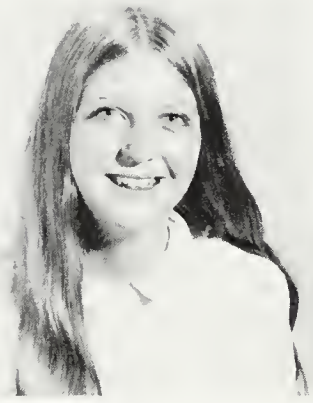

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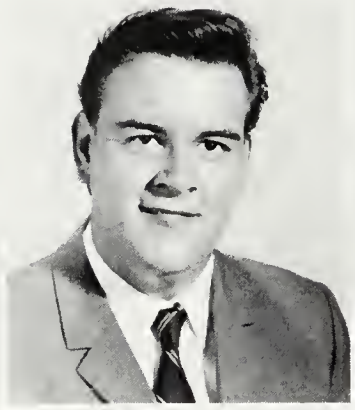

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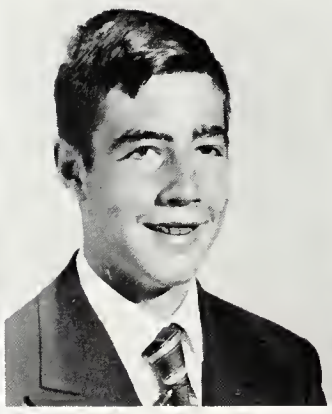

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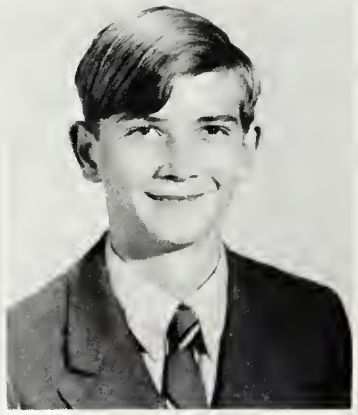

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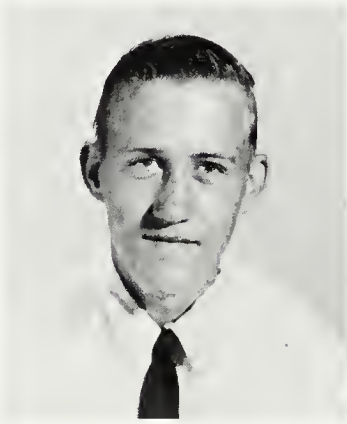

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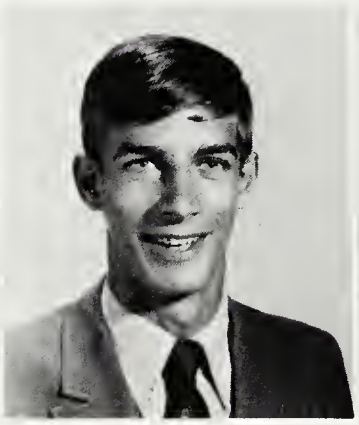

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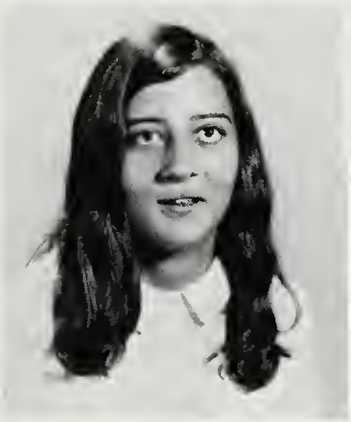
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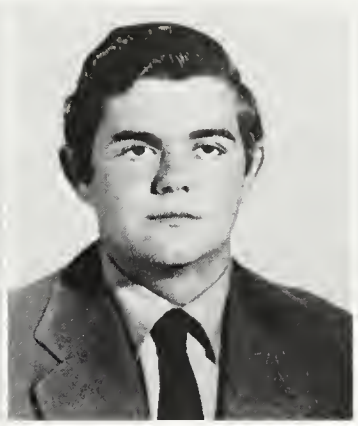
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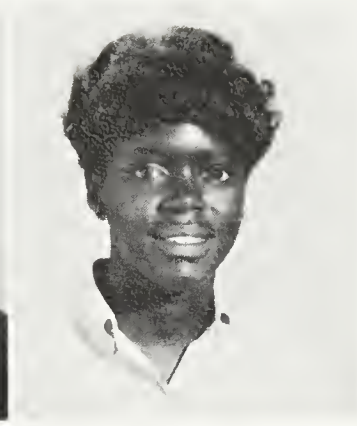
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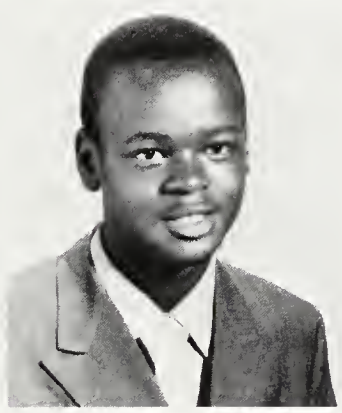
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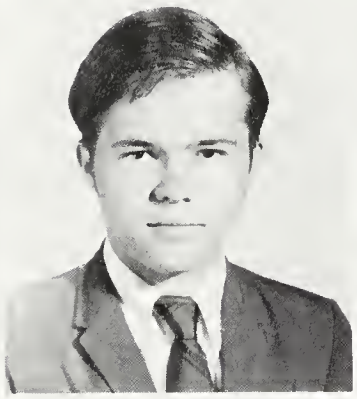

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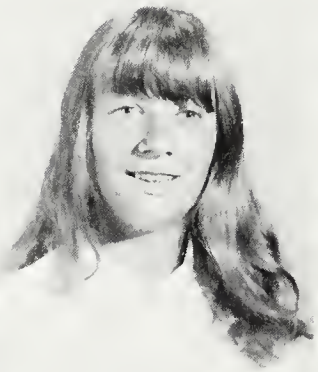

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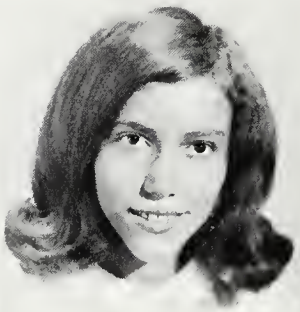

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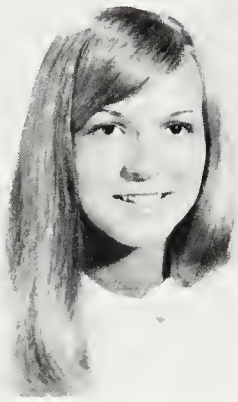

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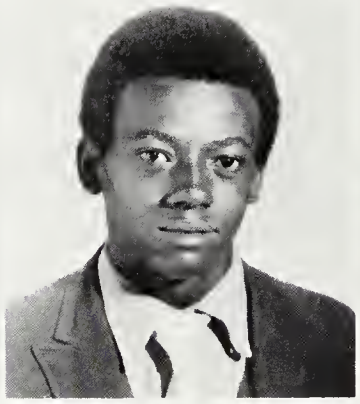

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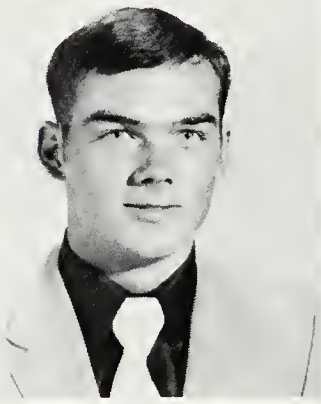

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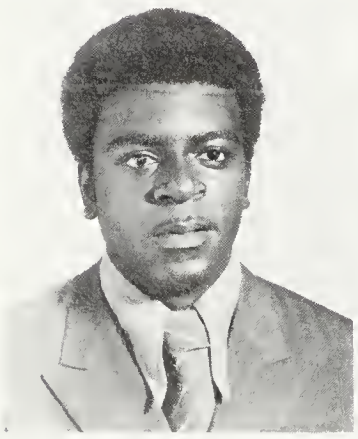

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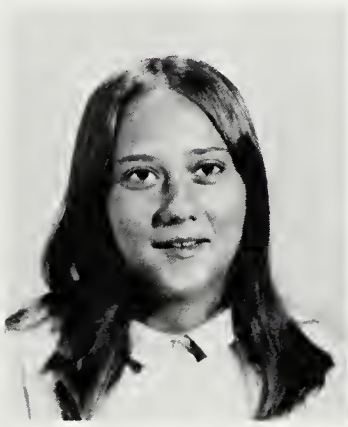
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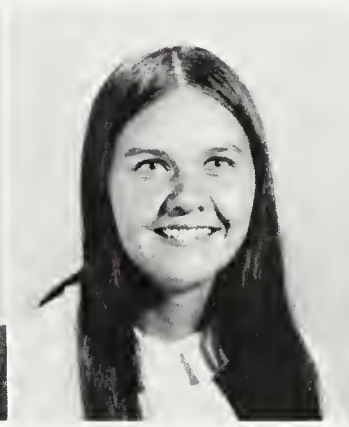
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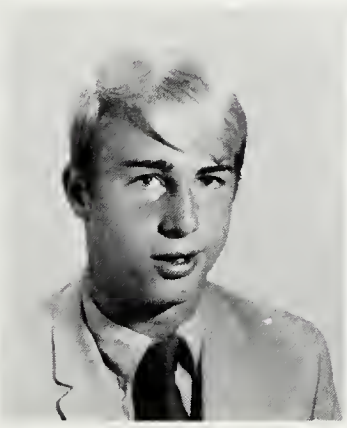
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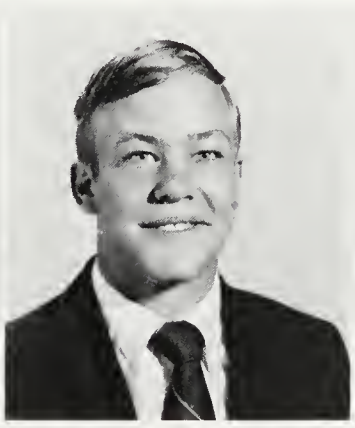
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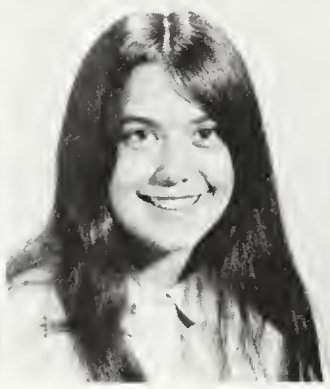

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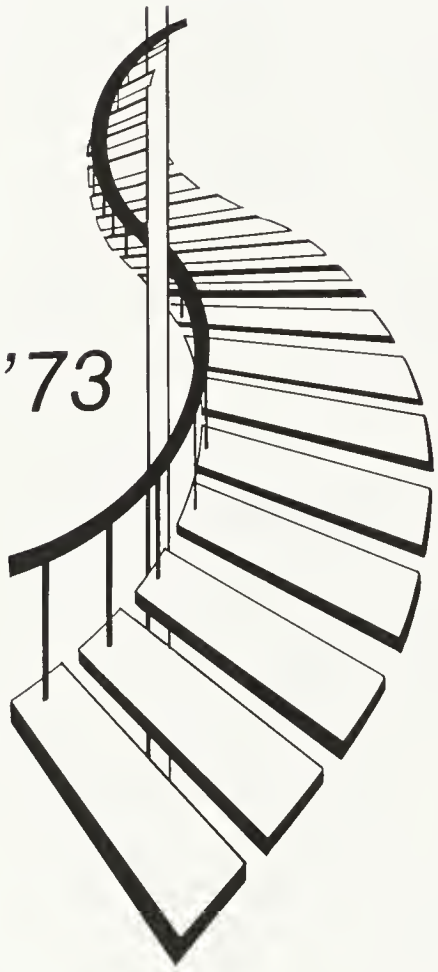

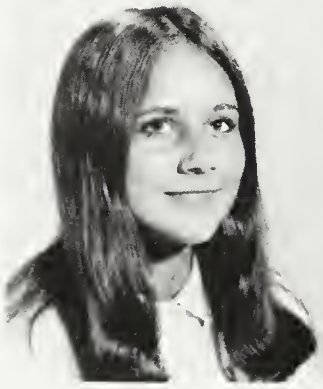

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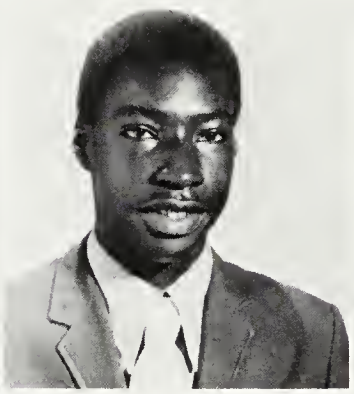

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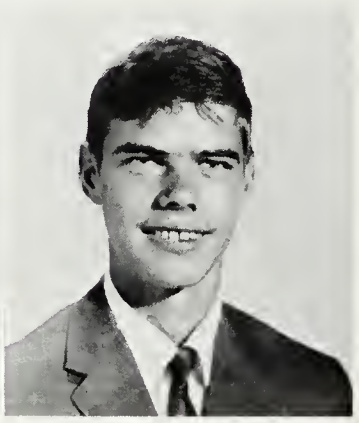

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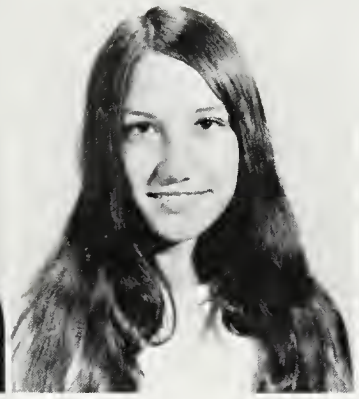

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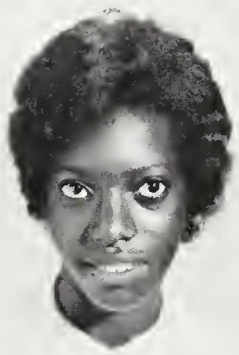

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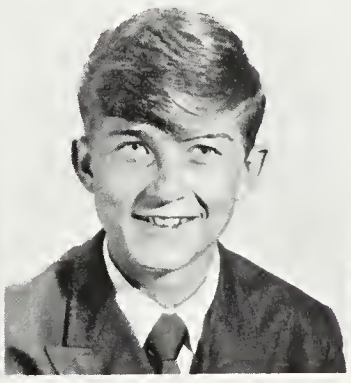

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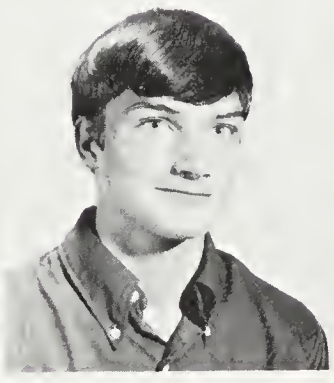

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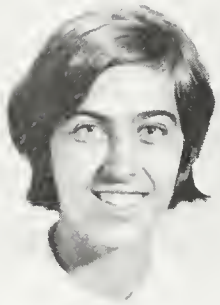

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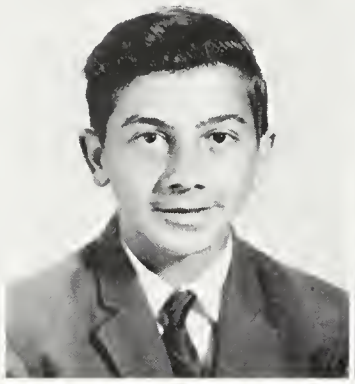

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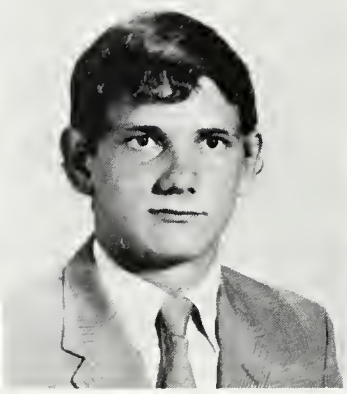

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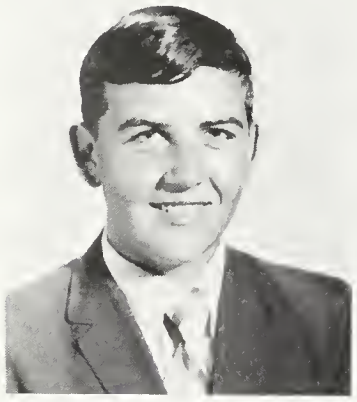

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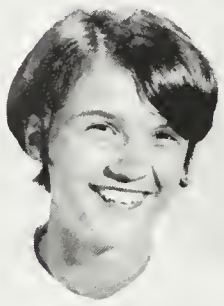

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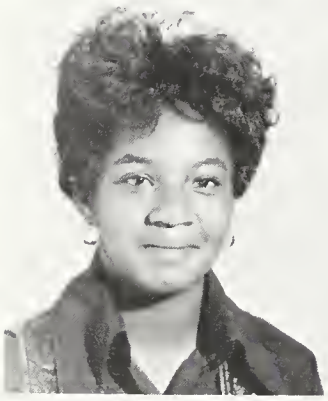

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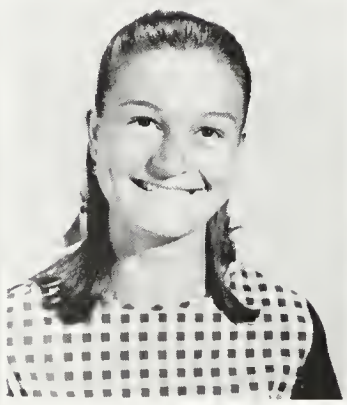

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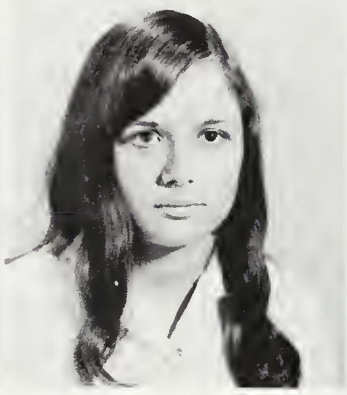

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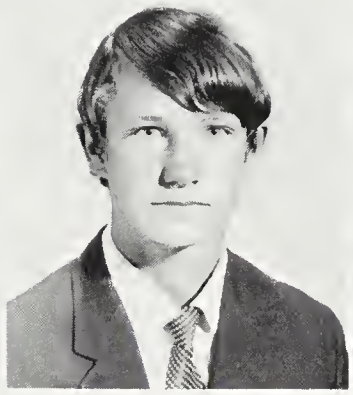

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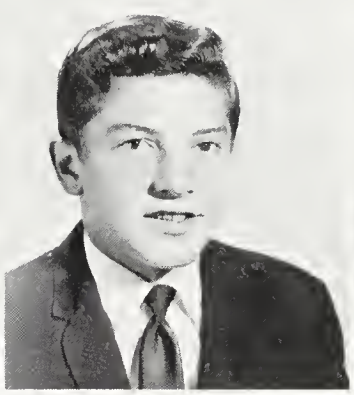

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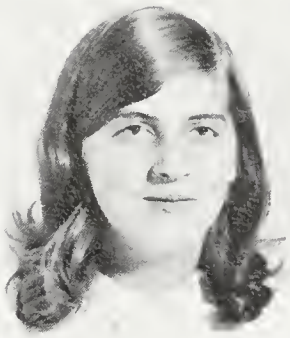

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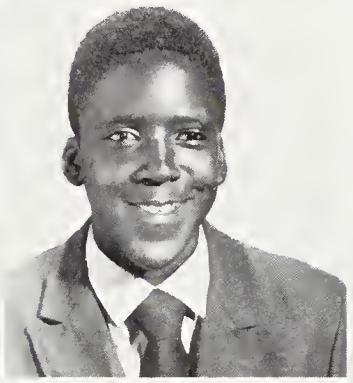

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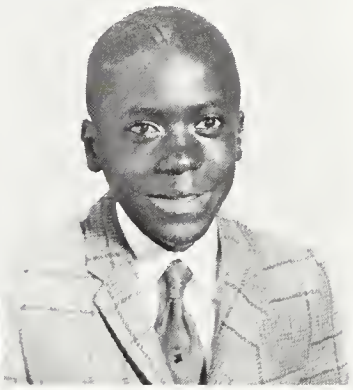

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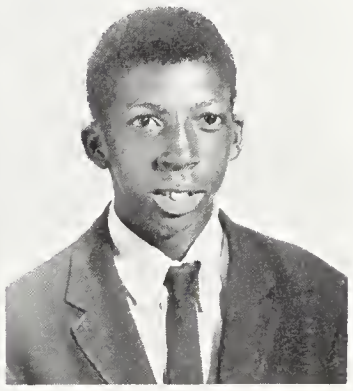

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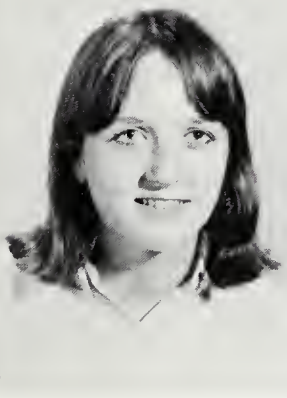

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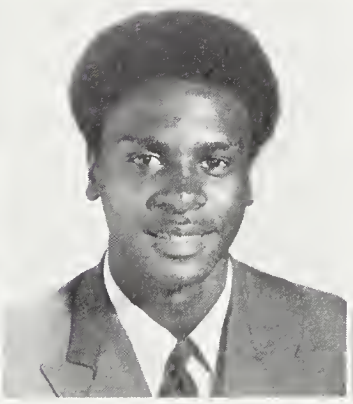

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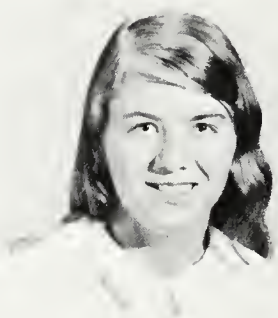

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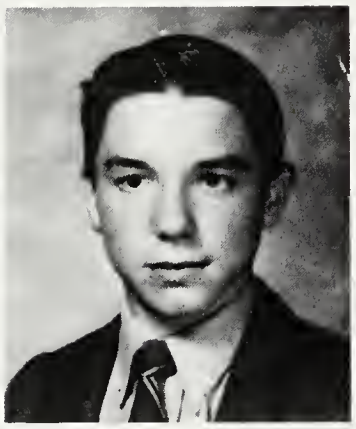

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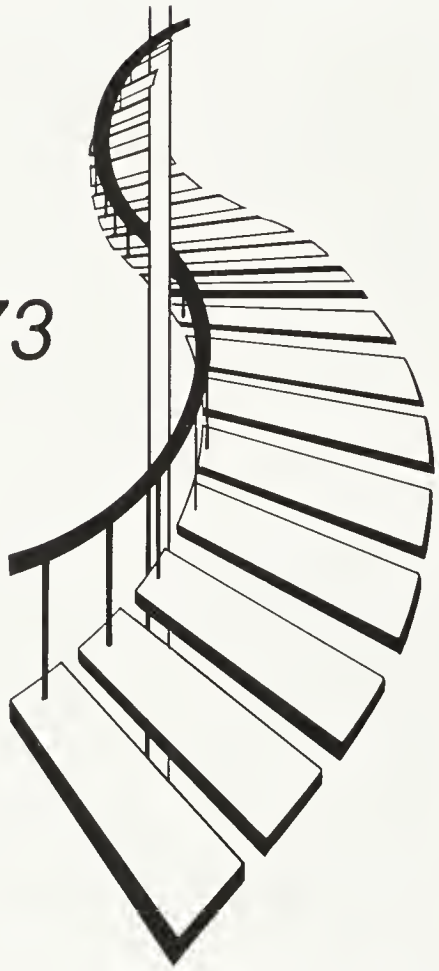

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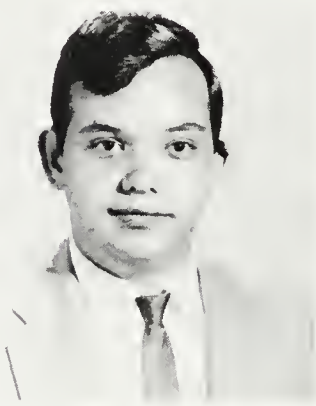

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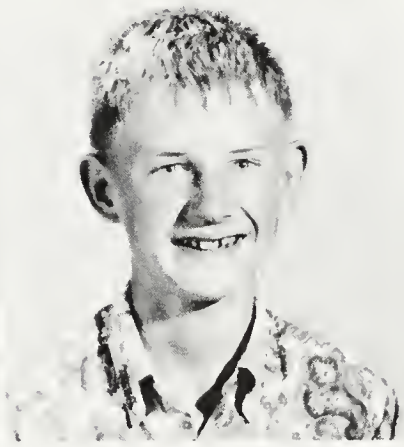

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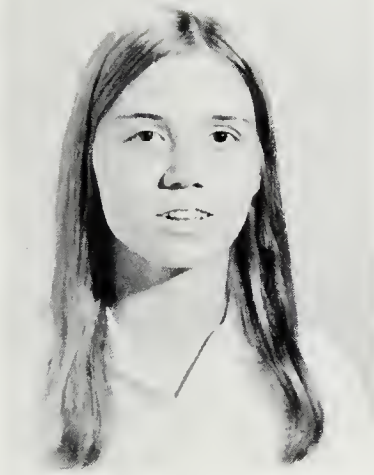
JUNIORS

Junior Class Officers: David Barber, Reporter; Kathy Lincoln, Secretary-treasurer; Buzz Goad, Vice-president; Phil Payne, President.

The Juniors discuss a new class ring design.

Students have fully acquainted themselves with their environment by the time they reach their Junior year. They are now one step below that ultimate goal, being a '72 Senior. They finally realize that they are almost there when they receive their class rings. Junior prom plans are wisely made by these eager students who are now proving their role in a vital school activity. They raised money for the prom by having a bottle drive, in which they netted $290.00. Jean Bragg won the subscription contest for Nelson County Times. Good luck on your journey to the top, Juniors!!



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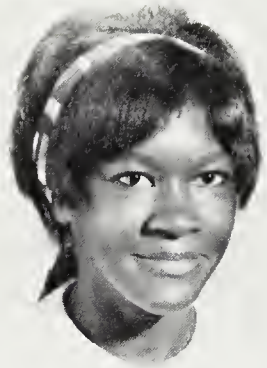

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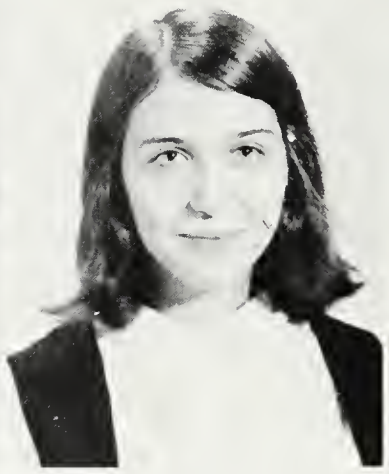

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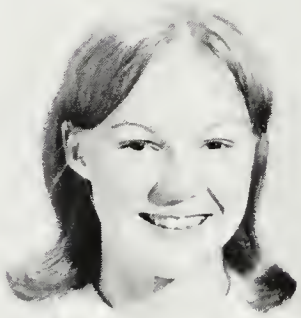

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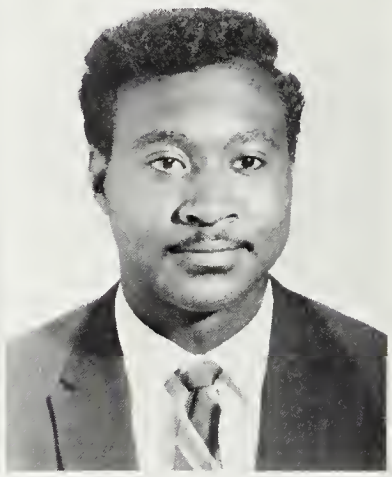

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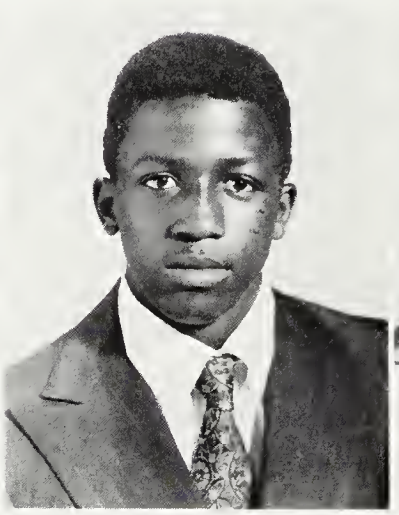

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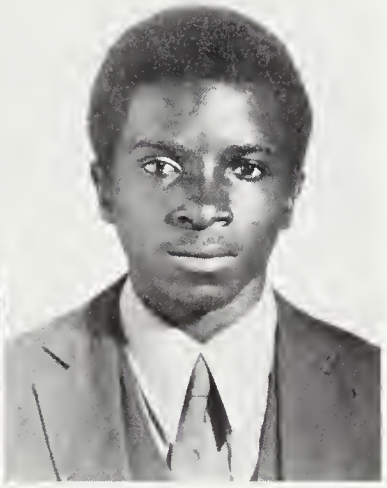

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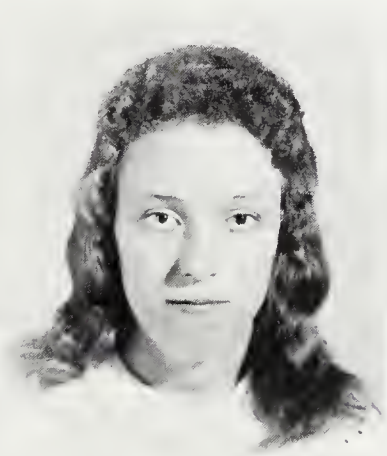

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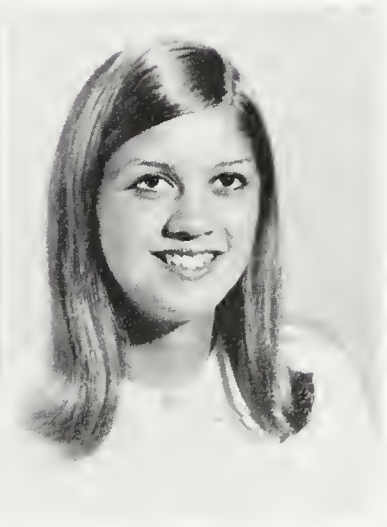

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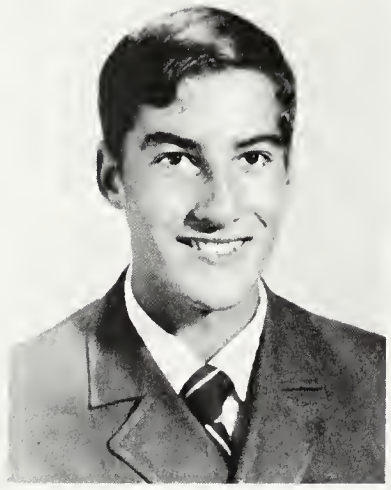

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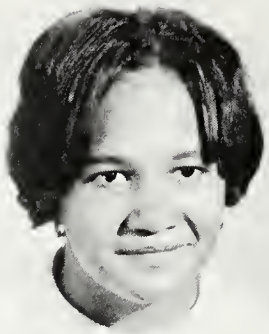

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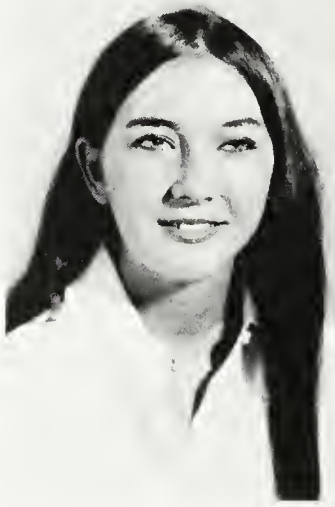

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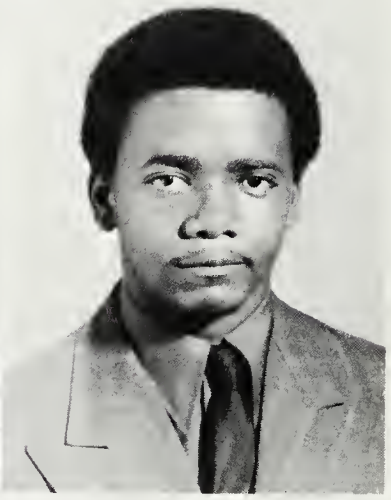

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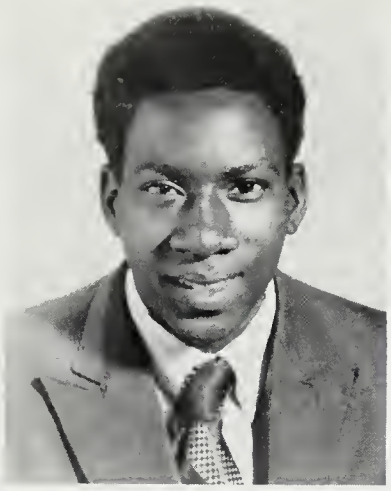

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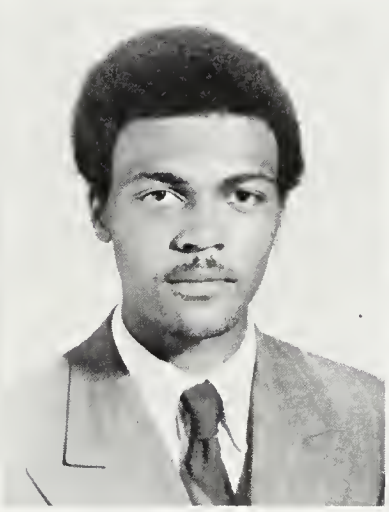

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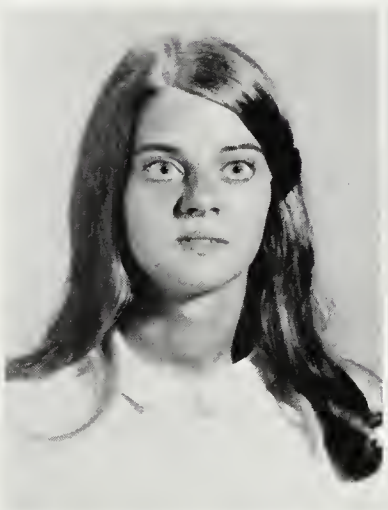

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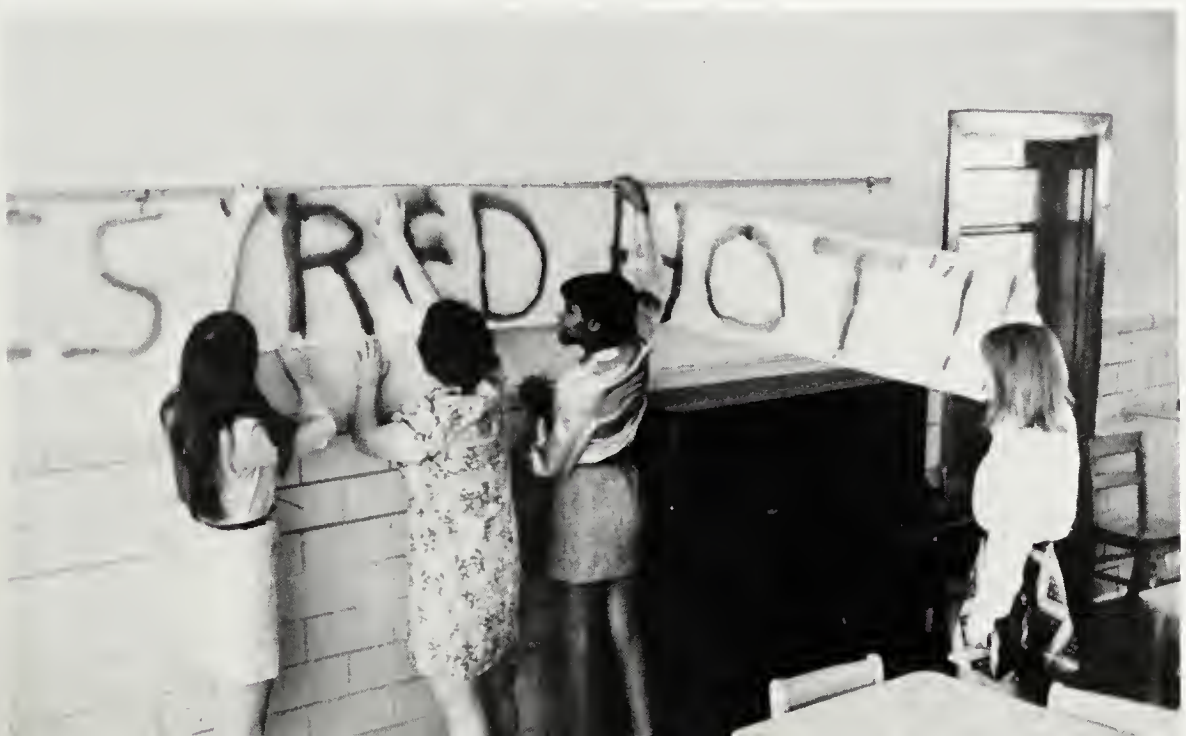

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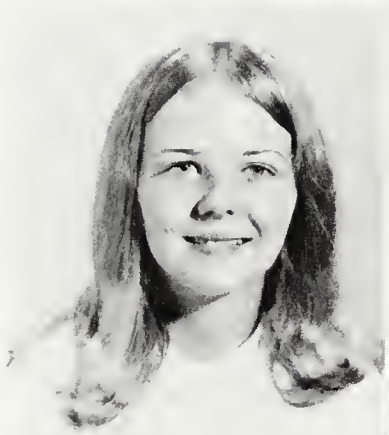

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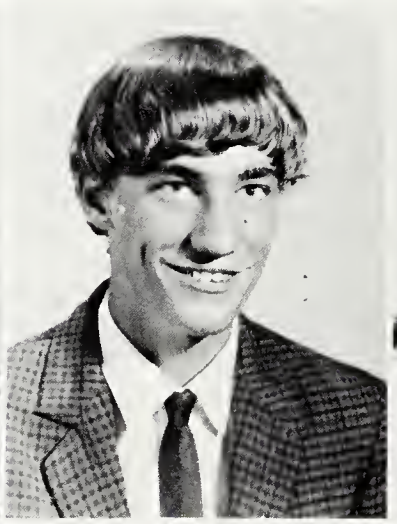

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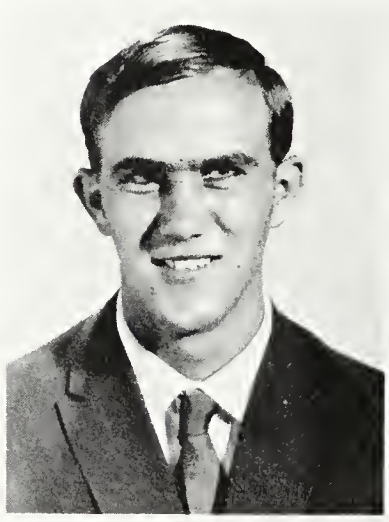

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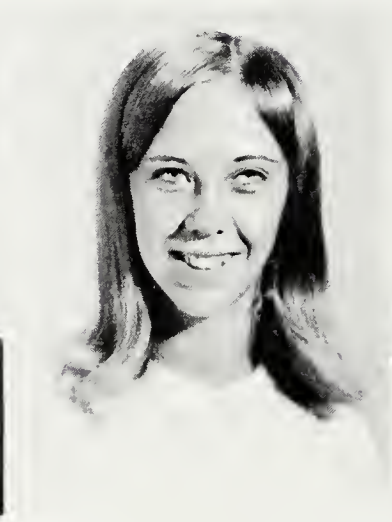

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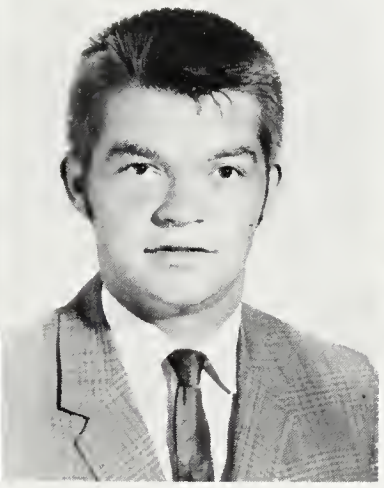

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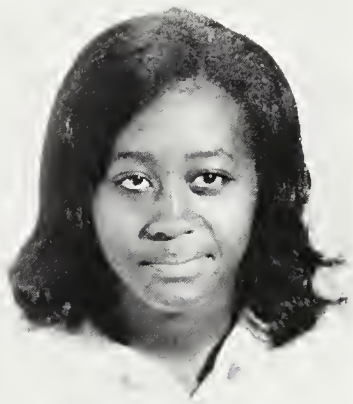

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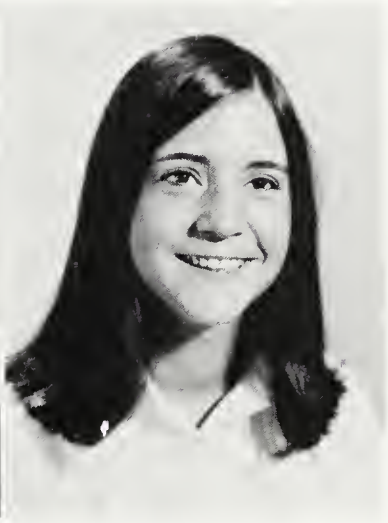

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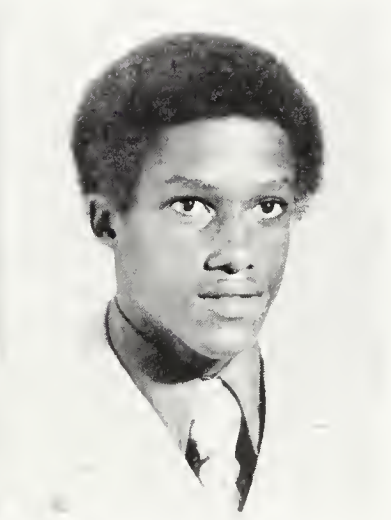

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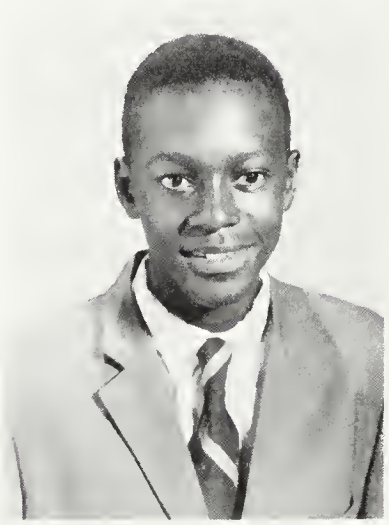

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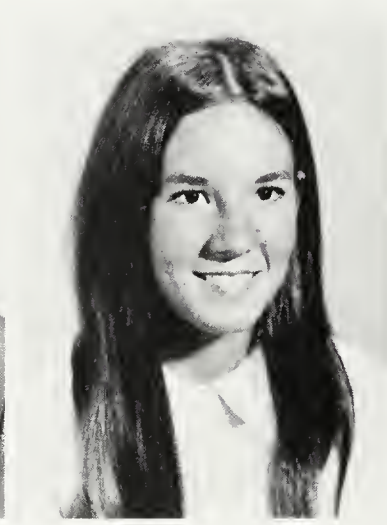

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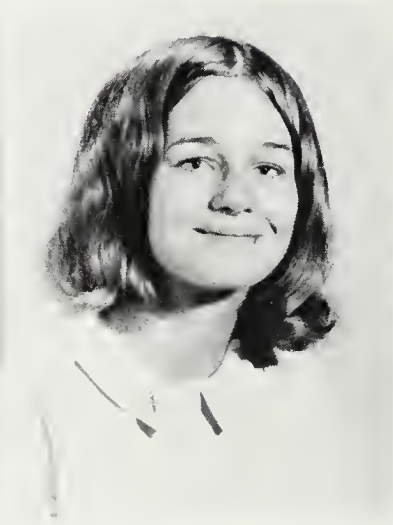

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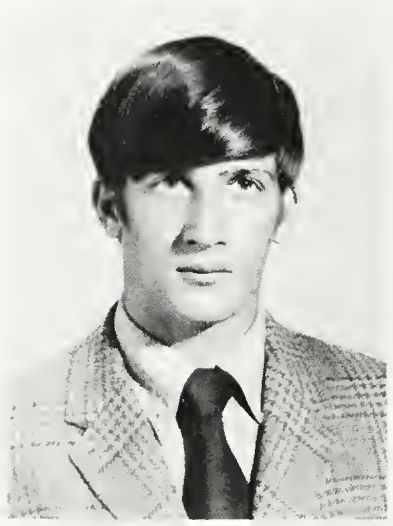

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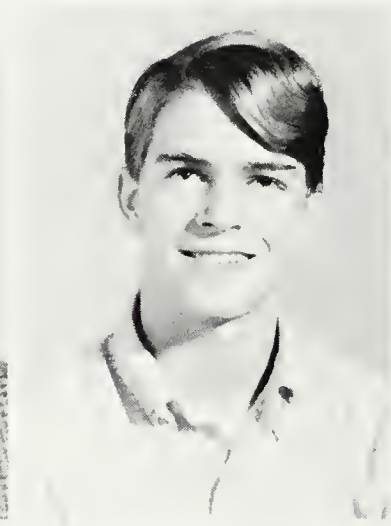

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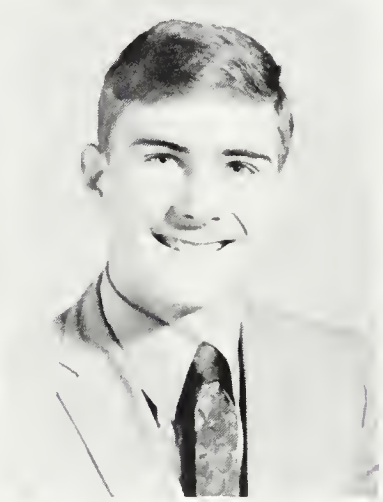

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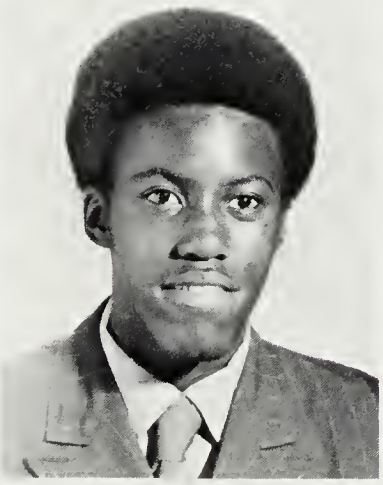

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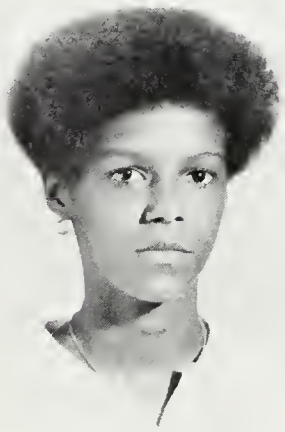

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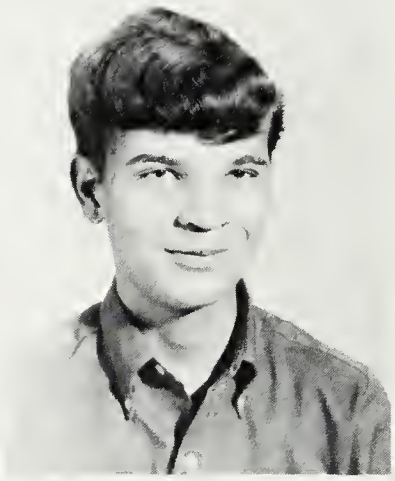

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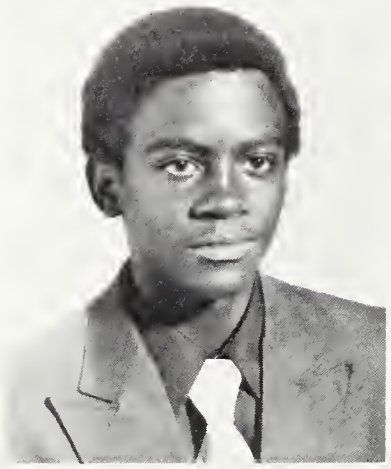

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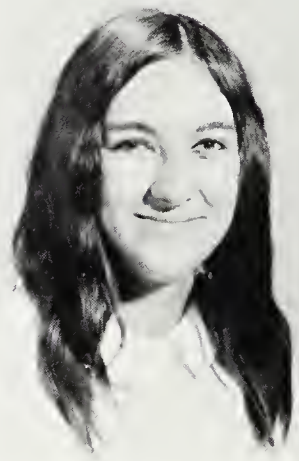

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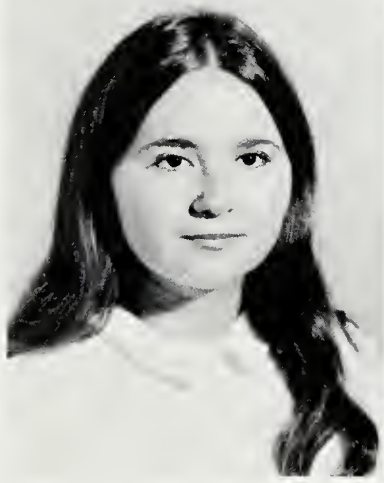

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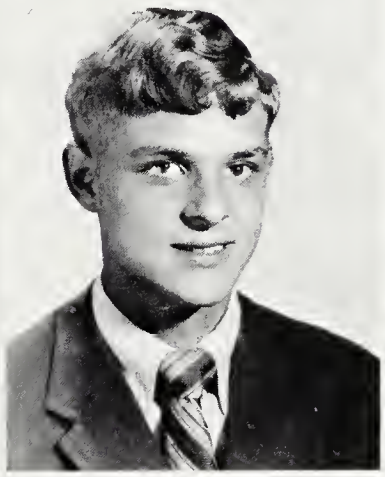

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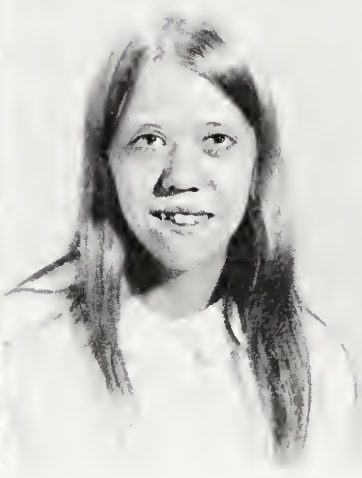

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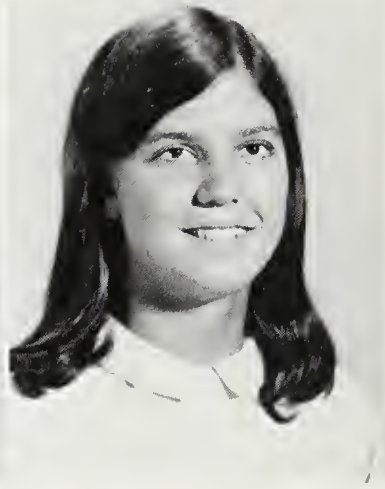

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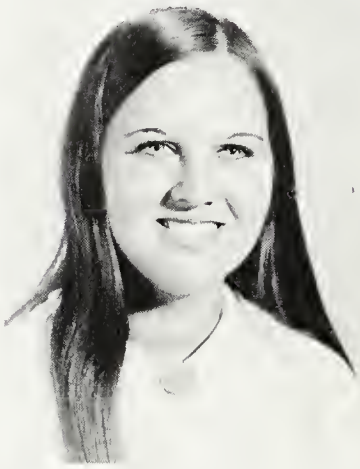

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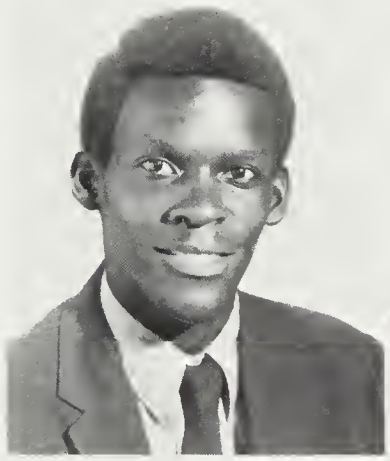

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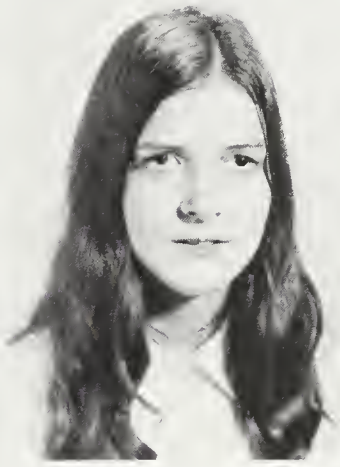

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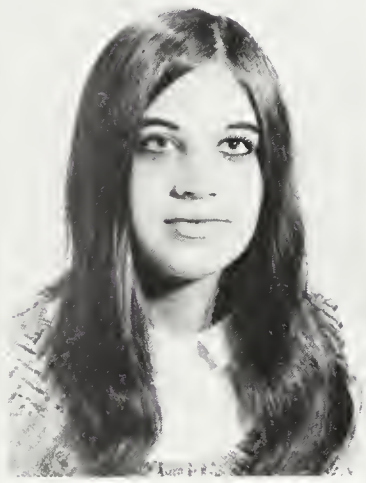

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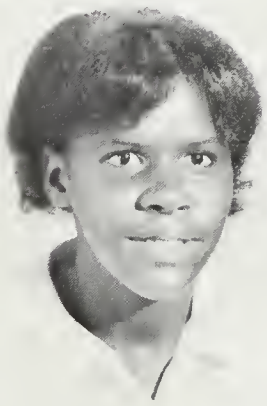

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Judy Wray

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SENIORS

Seniors become apprehensive as they approach the top step of high school education-graduation. This is the most decisive step of the entire educational experience. Some students choose college as the next step. Others choose a desired career or profession. Whatever the choice, it must be their own! While graduation is a time of excitement, it is also a time of sadness. Graduation means separation from student life, teachers, and other students at N.C.H.S. The high school years have held many memorable experiences and treasured moments. These experiences are to be cherished in years to come. And so, the mighty Seniors of '71 finish up a very memorable year!!

Senior Class Officers: Pam Thompson, secretary; Marvin Oakcrum, vice-president; and Monica Goad, treasurer.

Does Mr. Bloomer know about this Senior party?

TOP TEN SENIORS

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Louise Phillips Cooke

Brenda Sue Massie

Marvin Elroy Oakcrum

John Lewis Quick, Jr.

Gillies Prosper Rodgers

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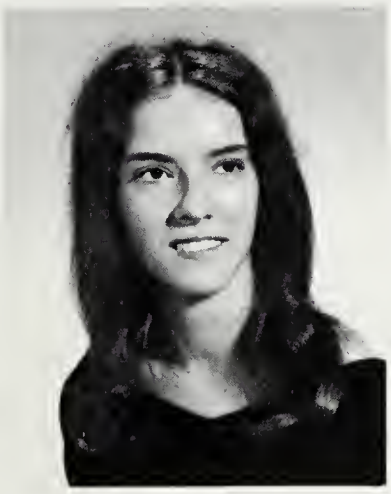

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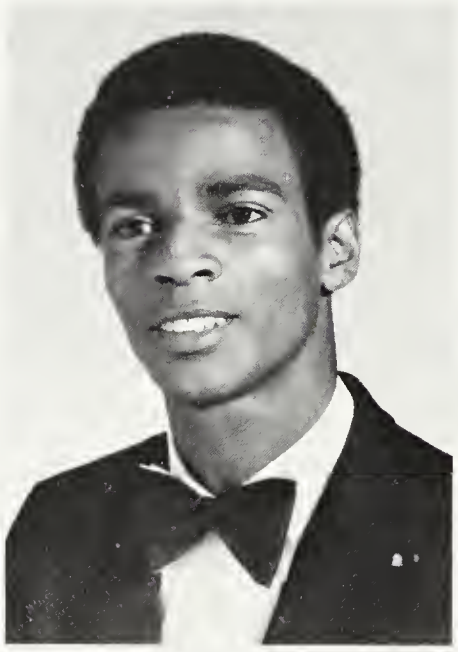

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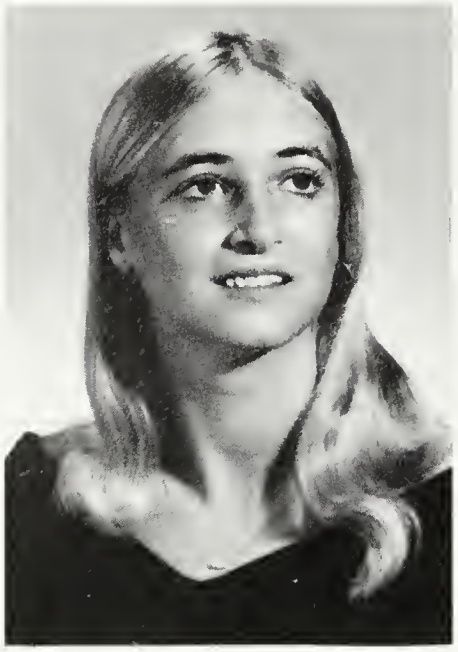

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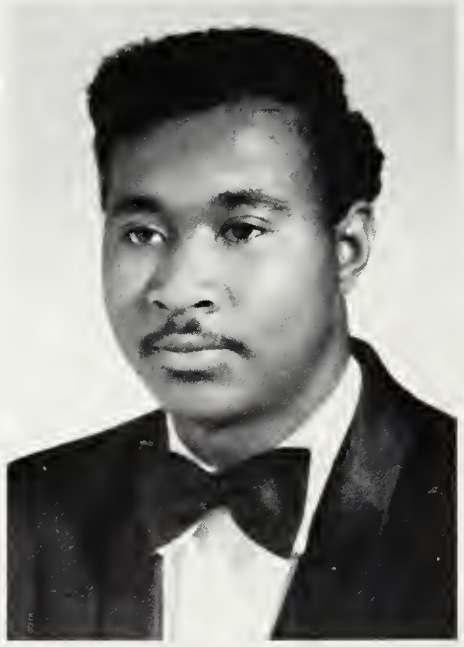

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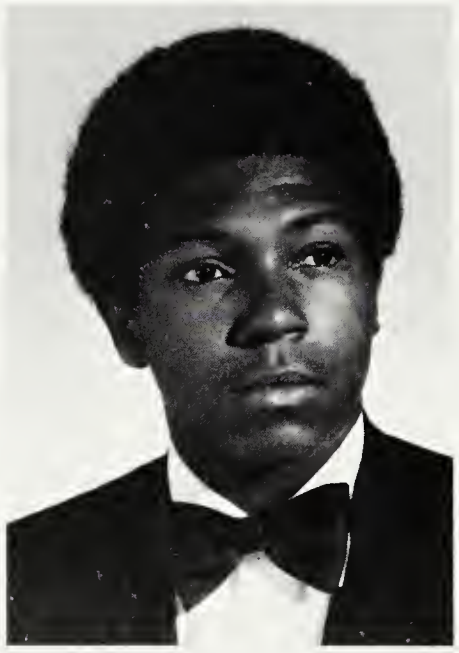

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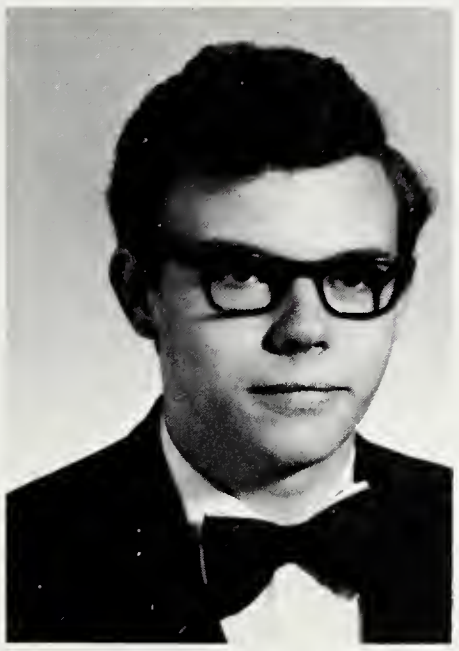

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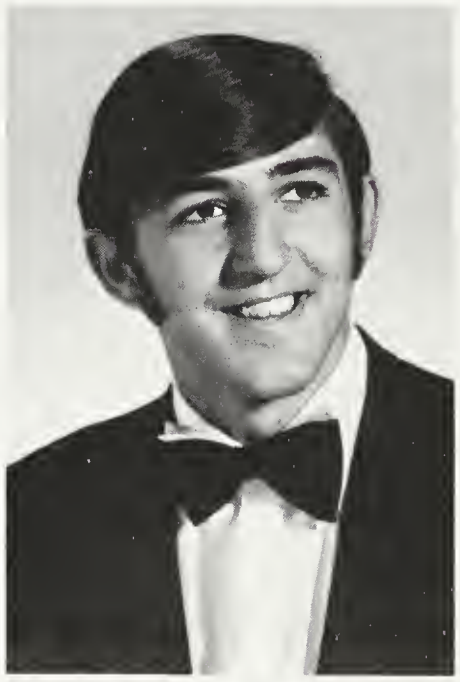

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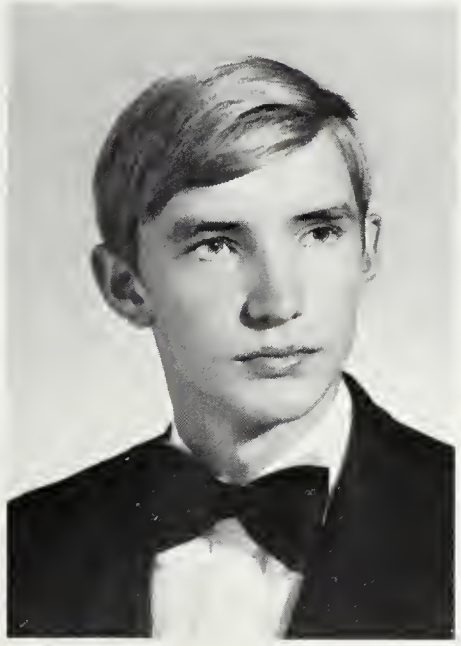

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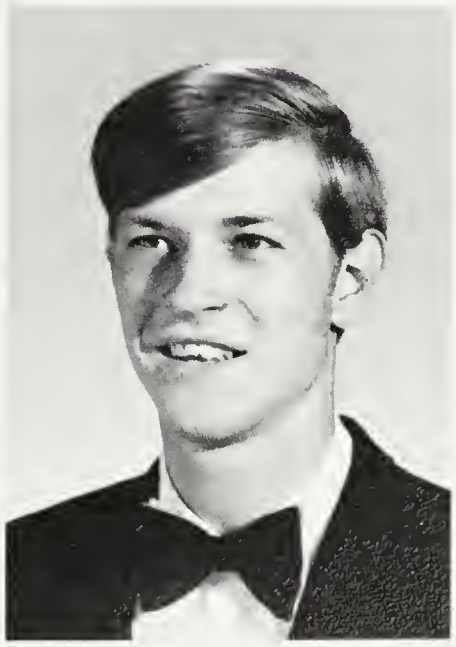

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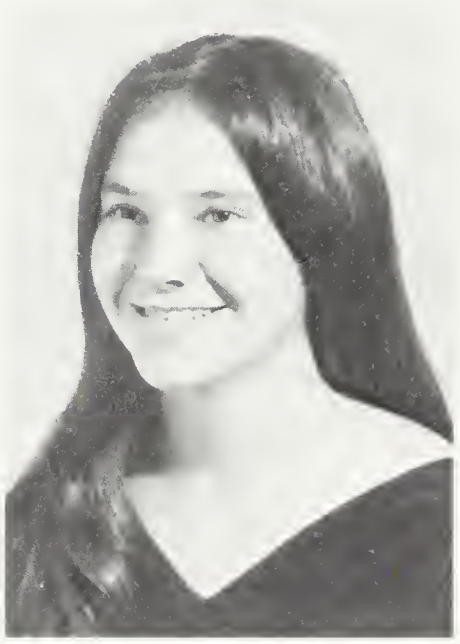

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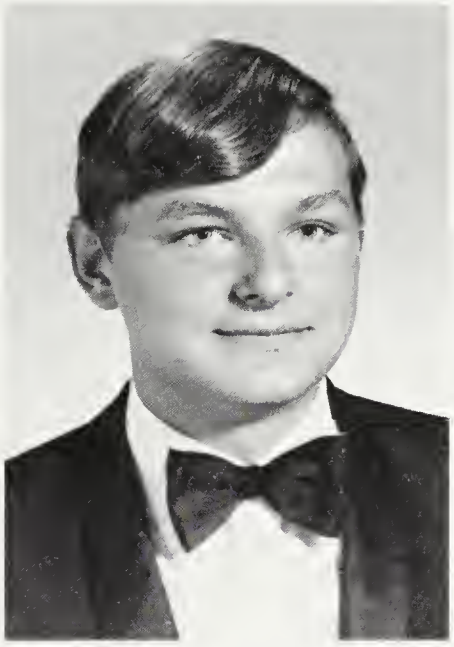

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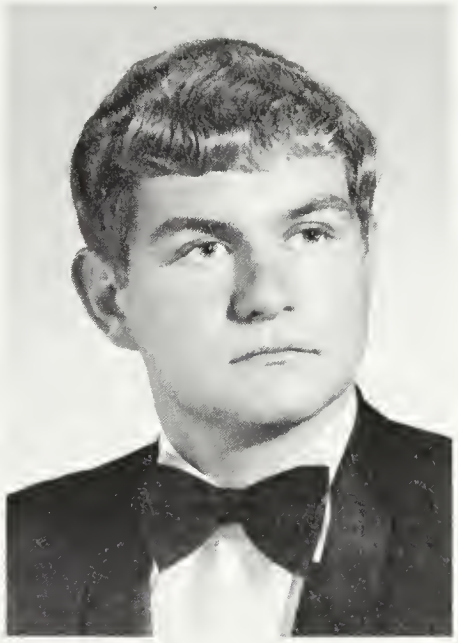

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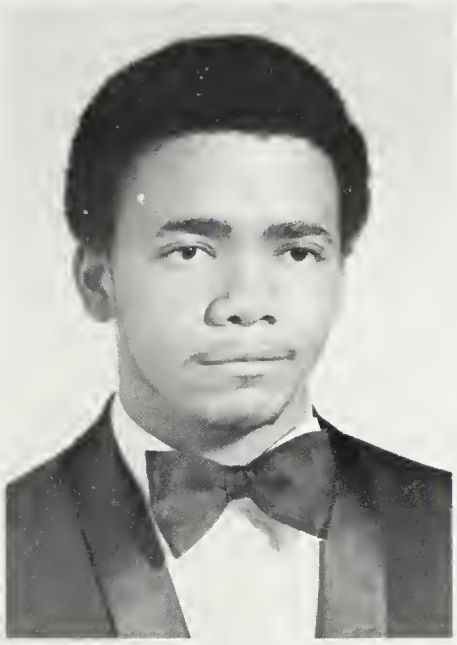

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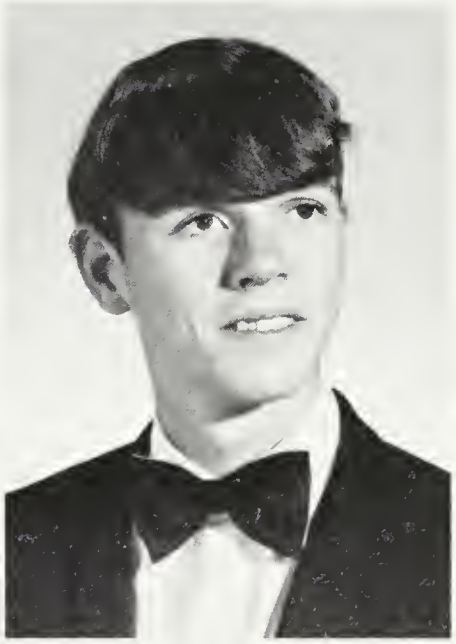

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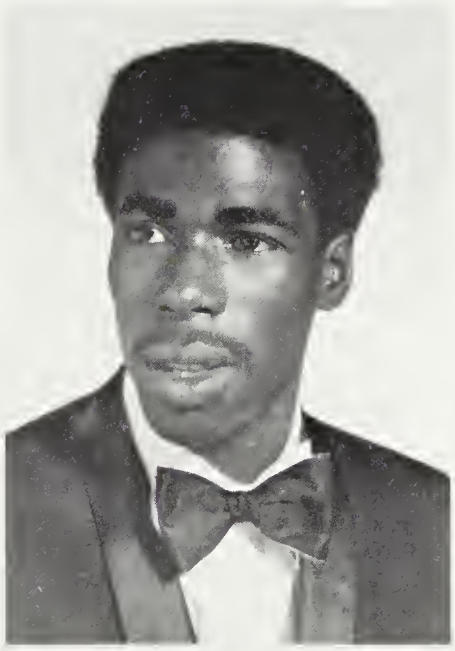

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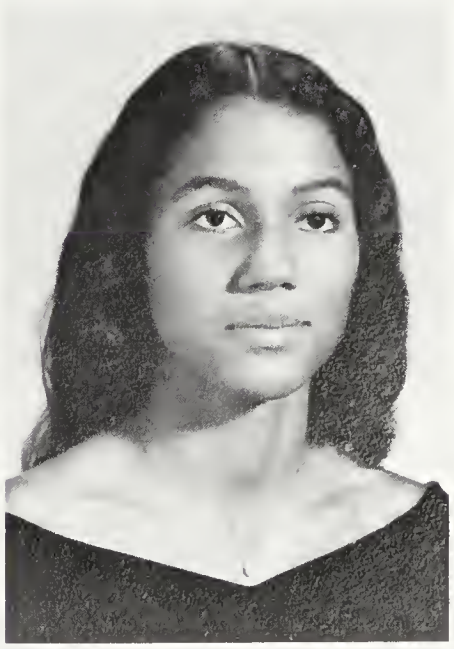

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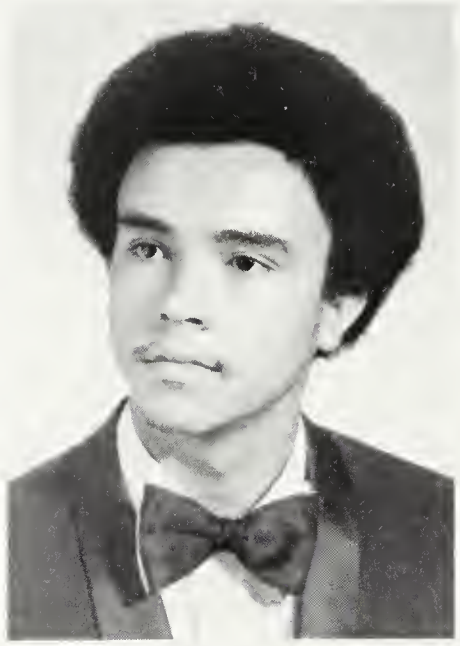

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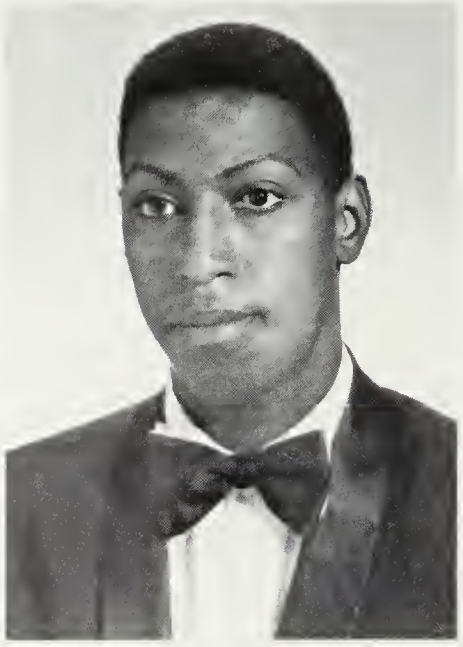

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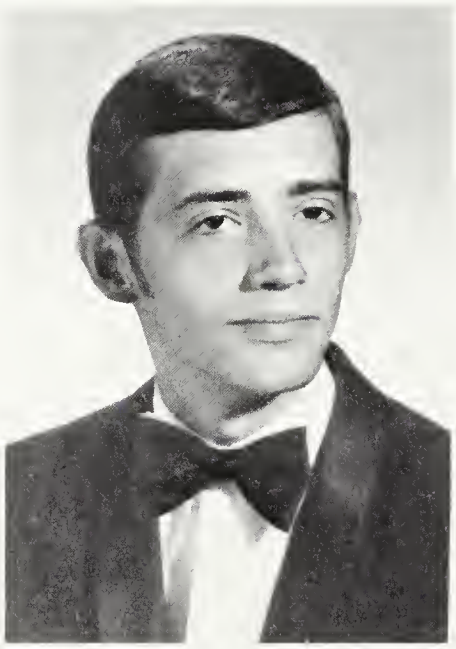

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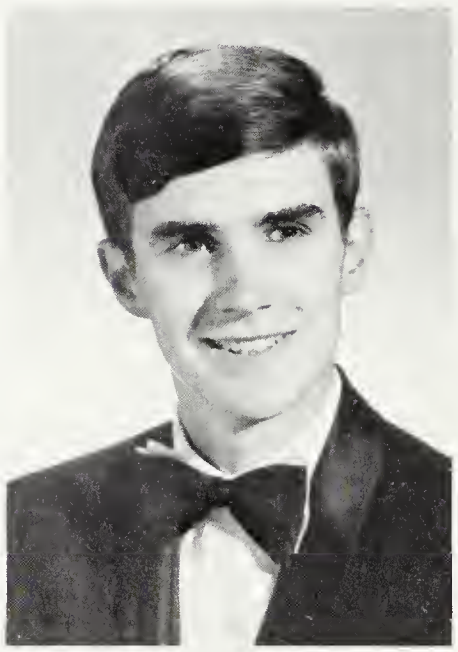

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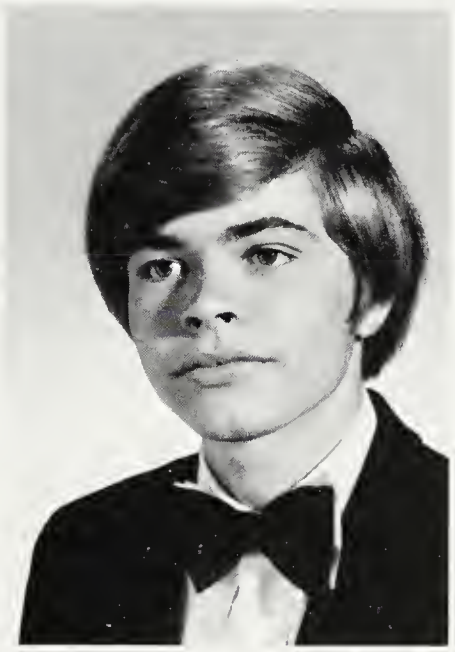

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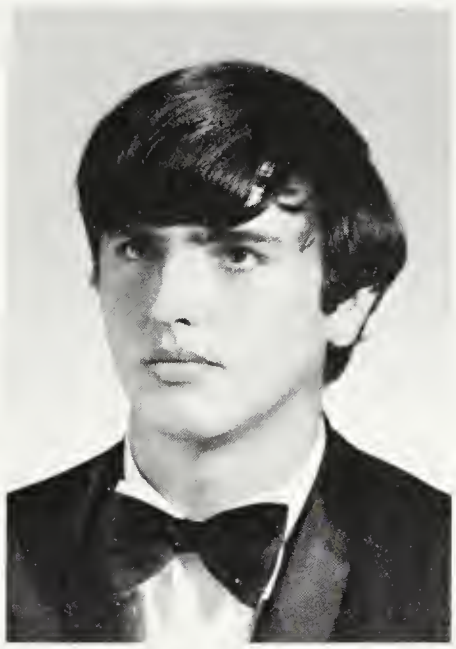

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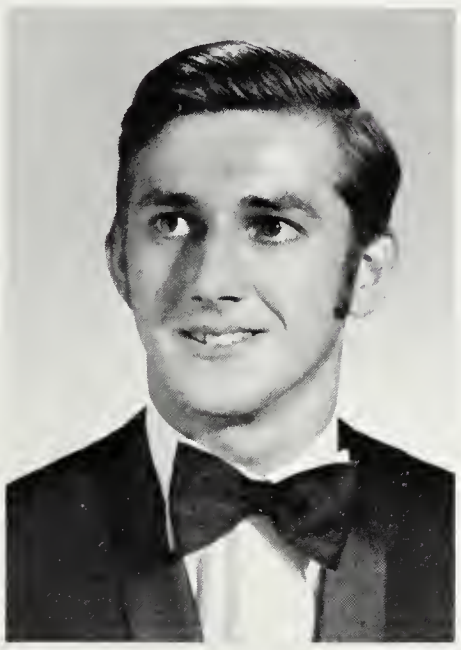

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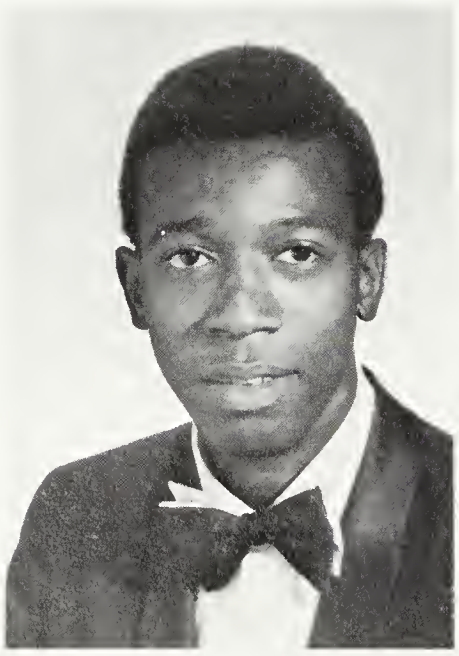

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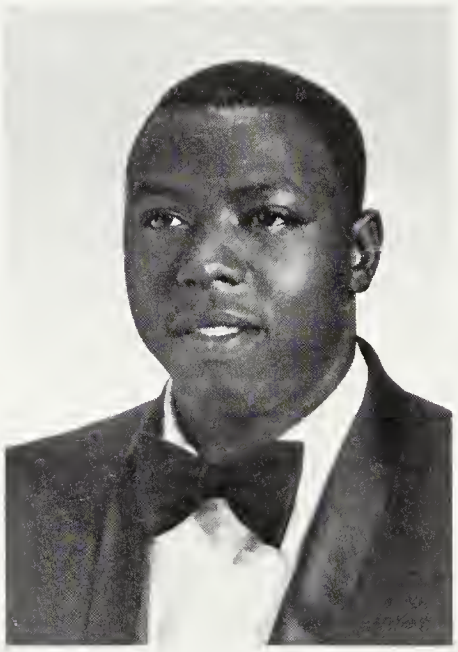

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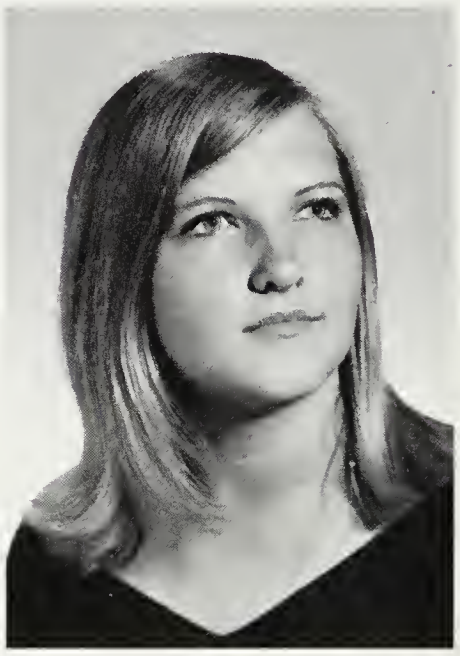

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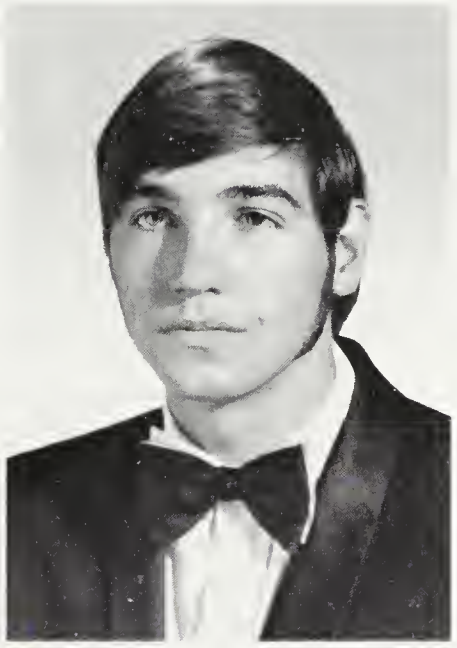

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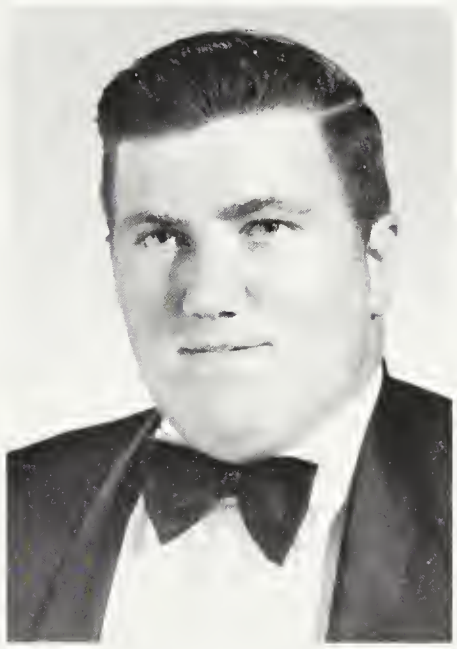

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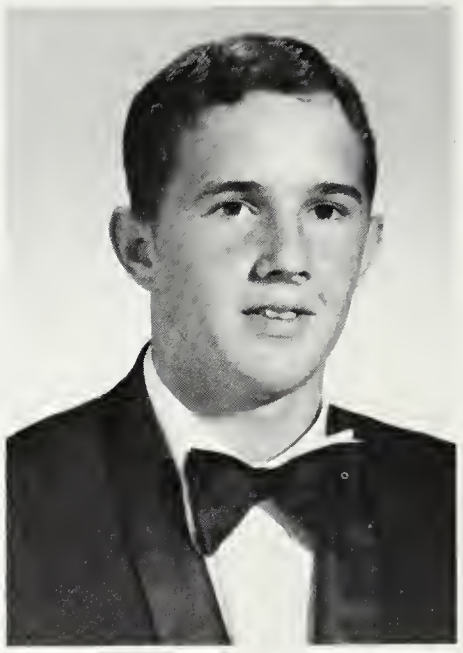

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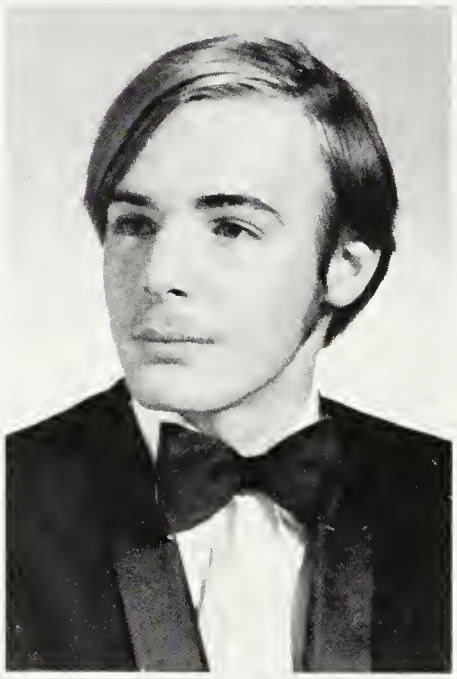

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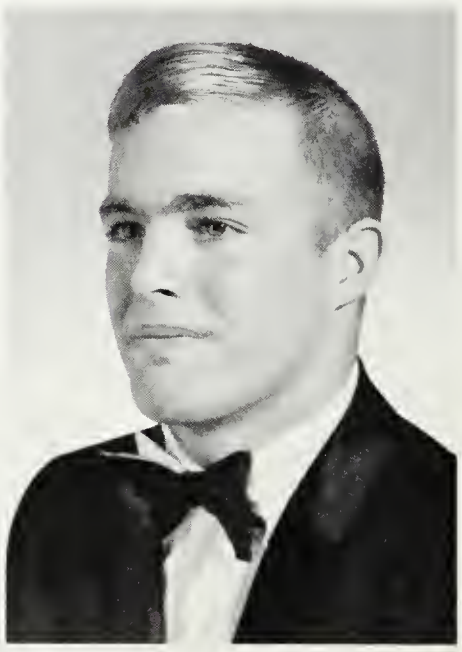

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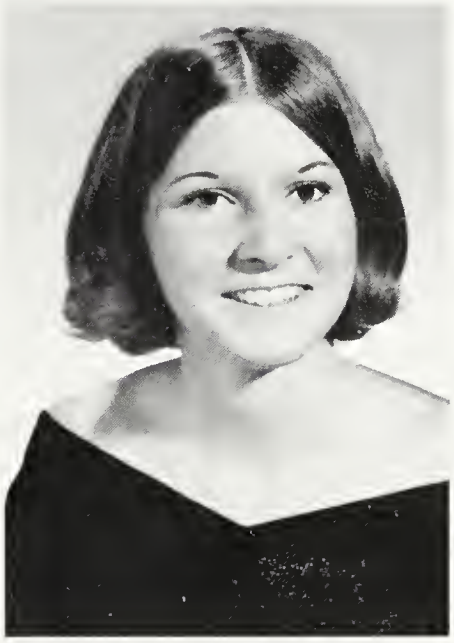

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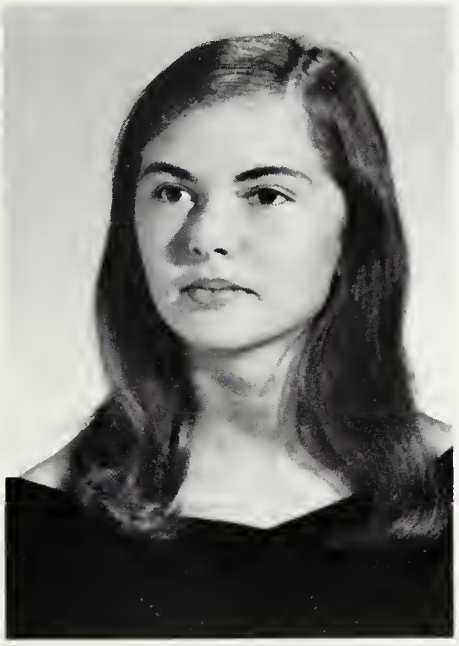

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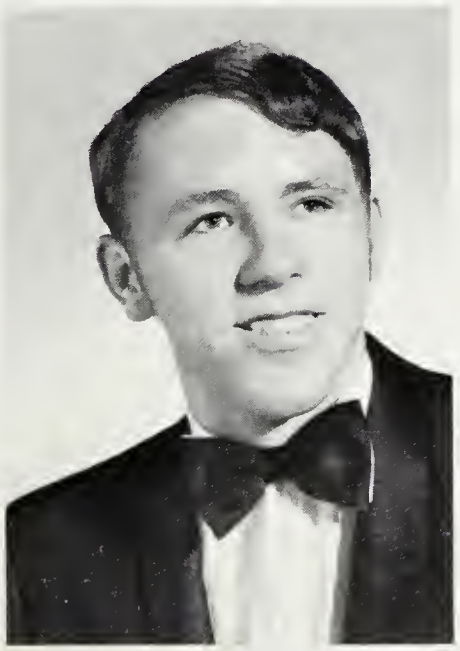

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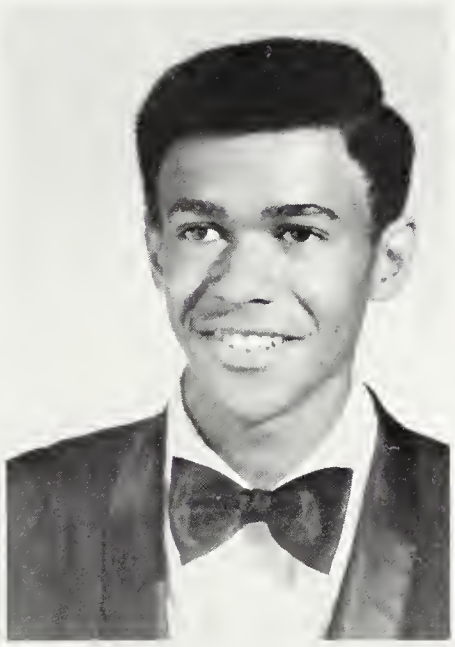

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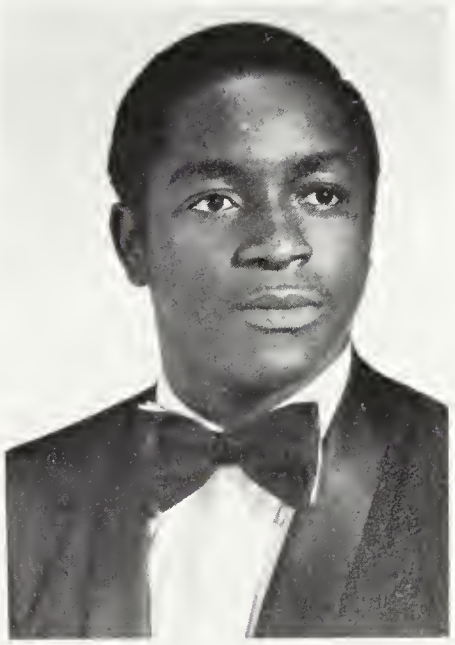

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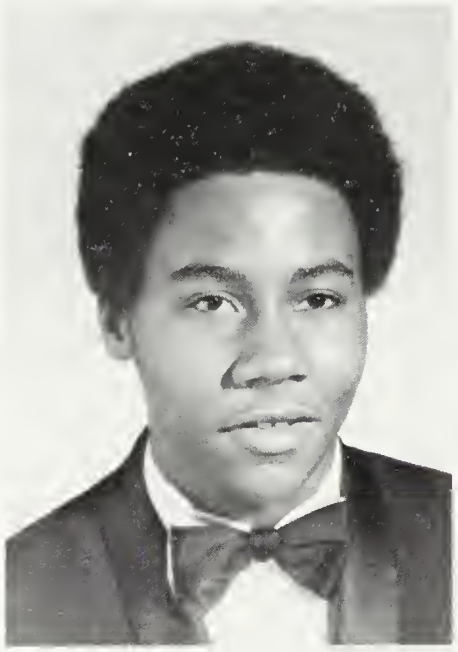

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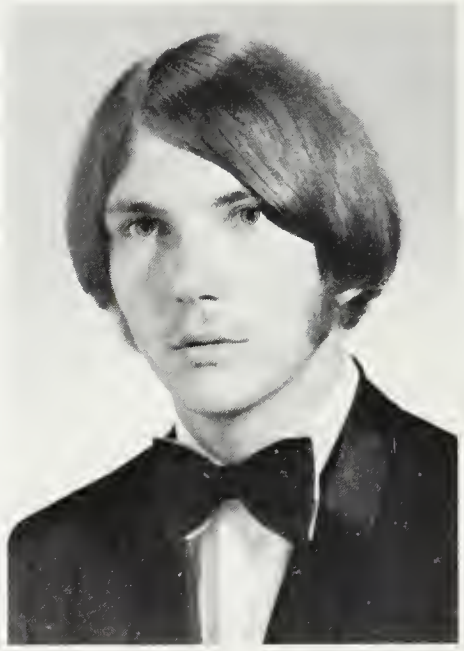

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Margie Lemon Page

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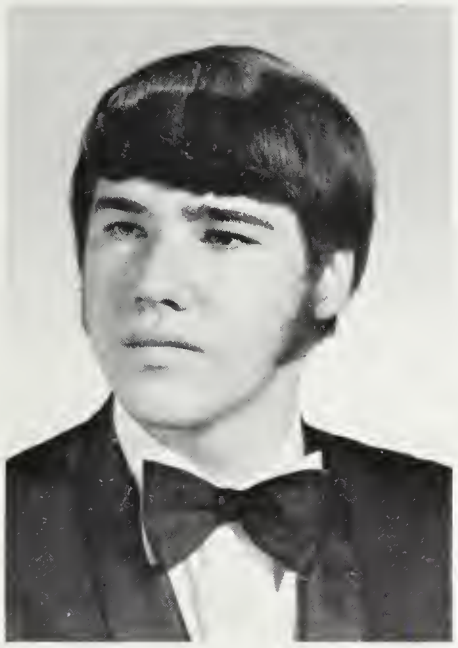
Ruth Ellen Pannell

Wanda Faye Pannell

Sandra Kay Pannell

Alice Pearl Penn



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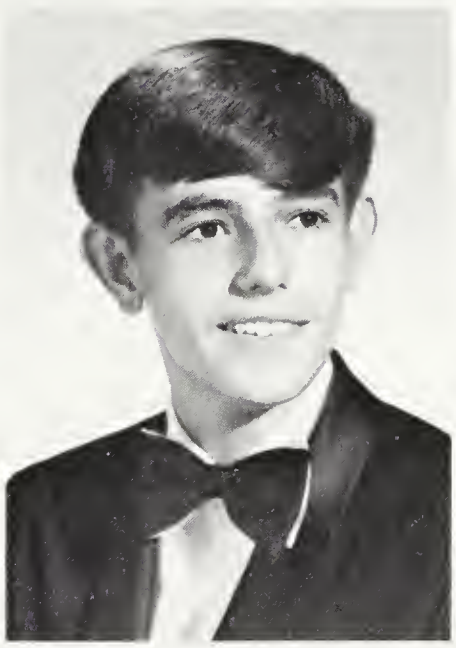

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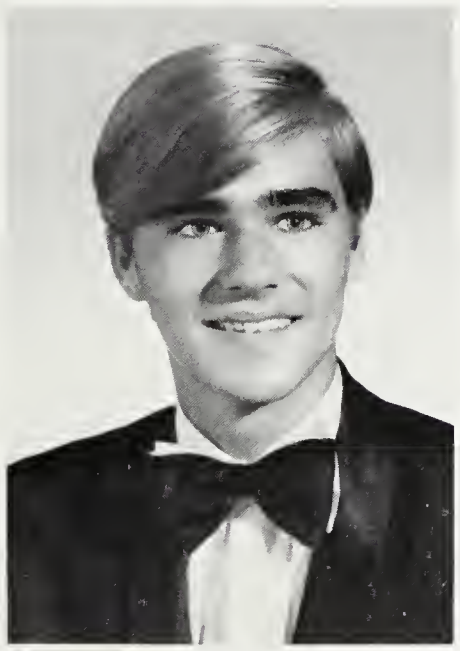

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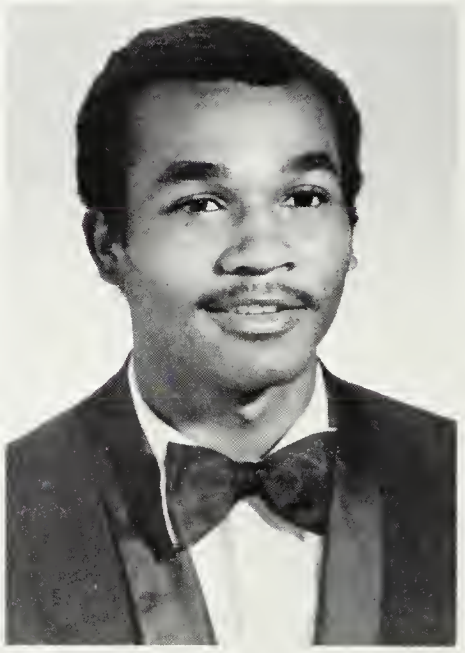

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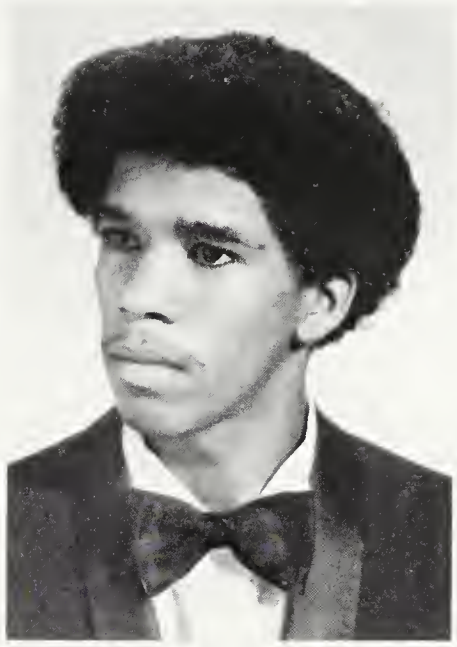

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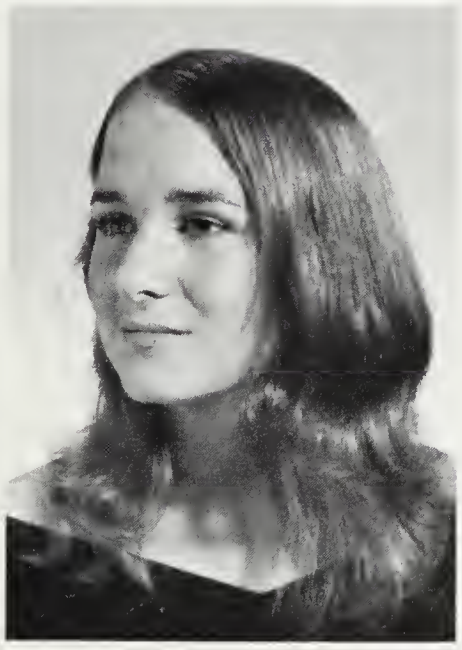

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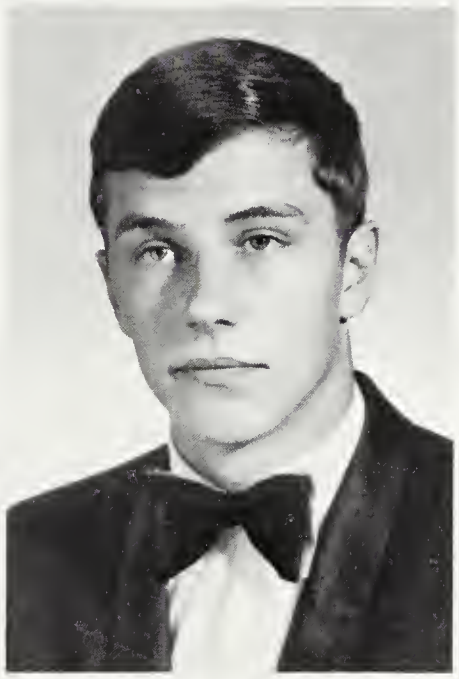

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Mary Camm Thompson

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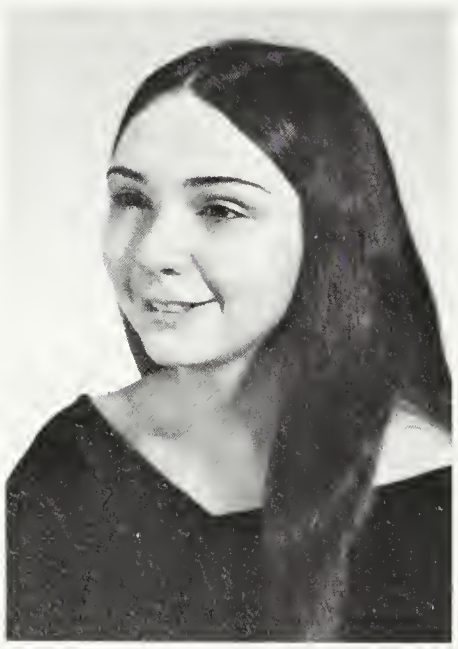
Pamela Reed Thompson



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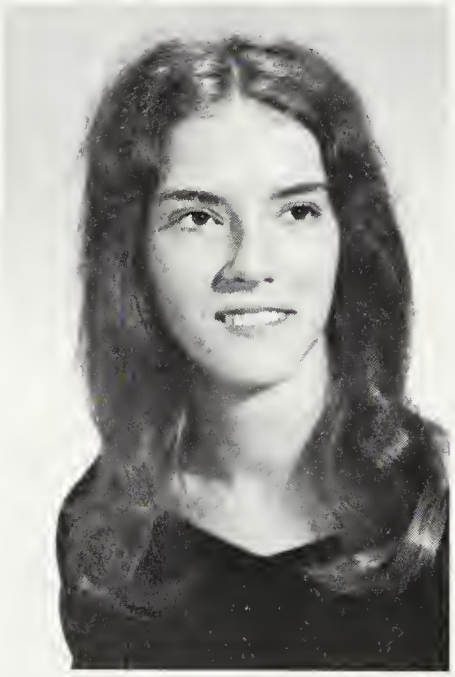

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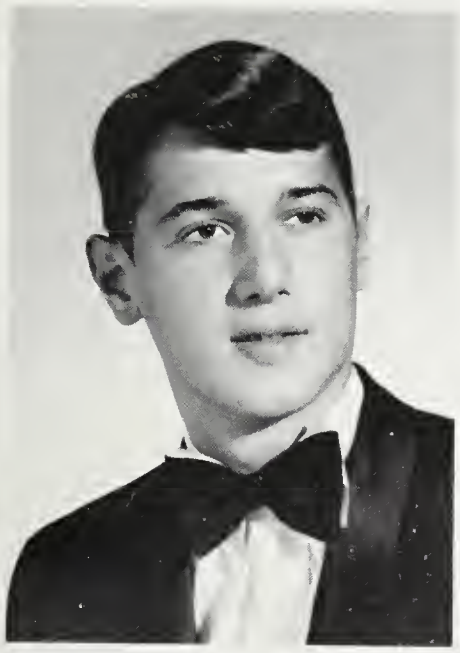

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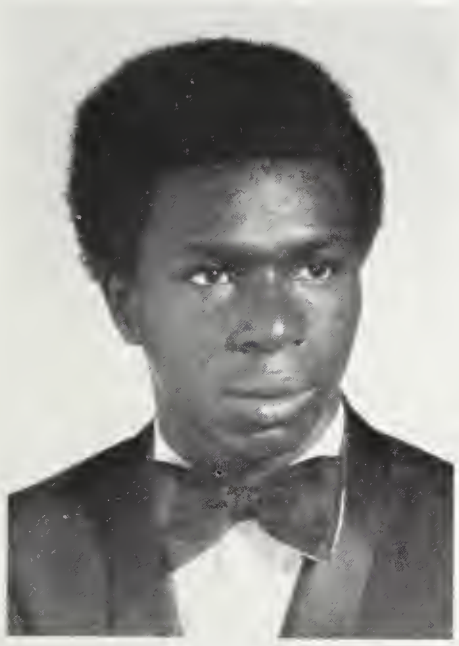

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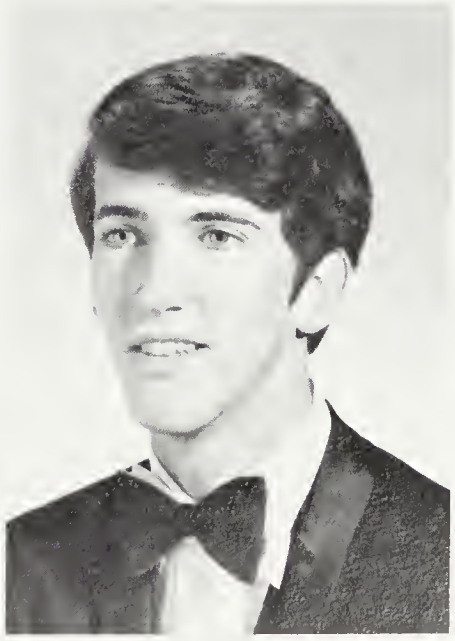

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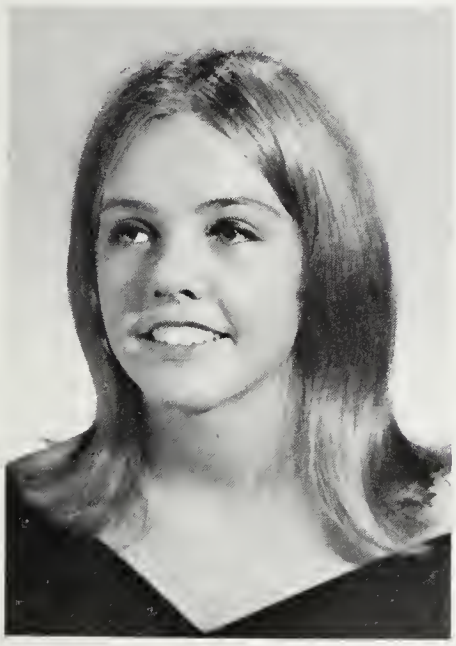

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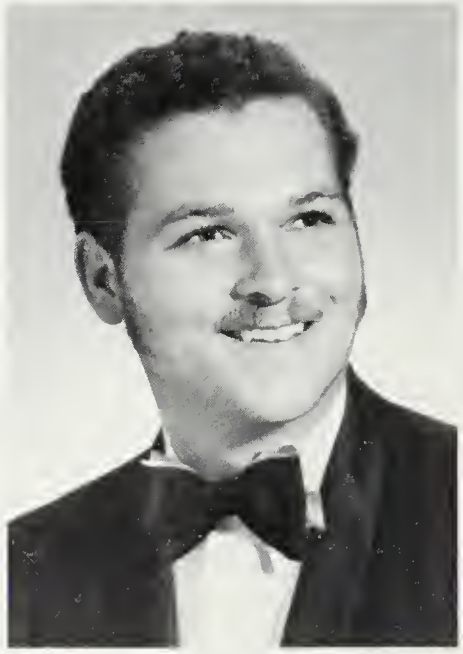

Van Owen Woodard

Deborah Louise Woody

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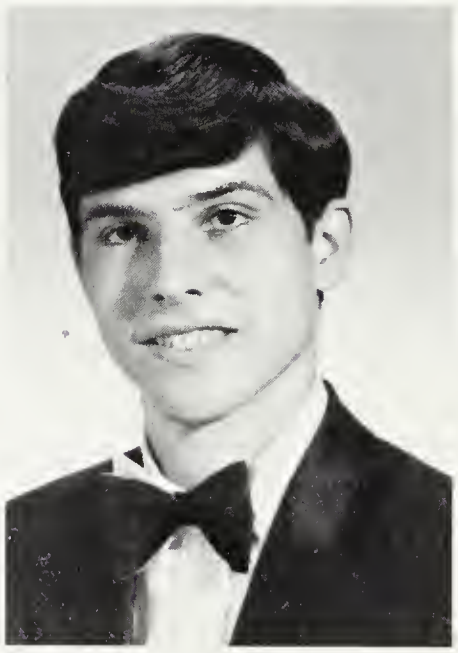
Lenea Marie Yoder



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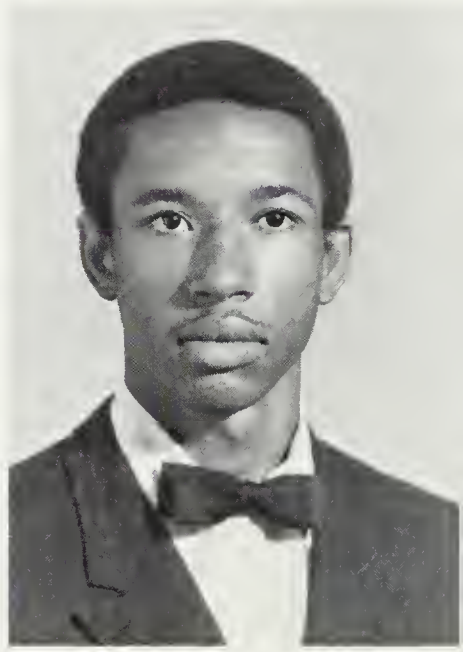
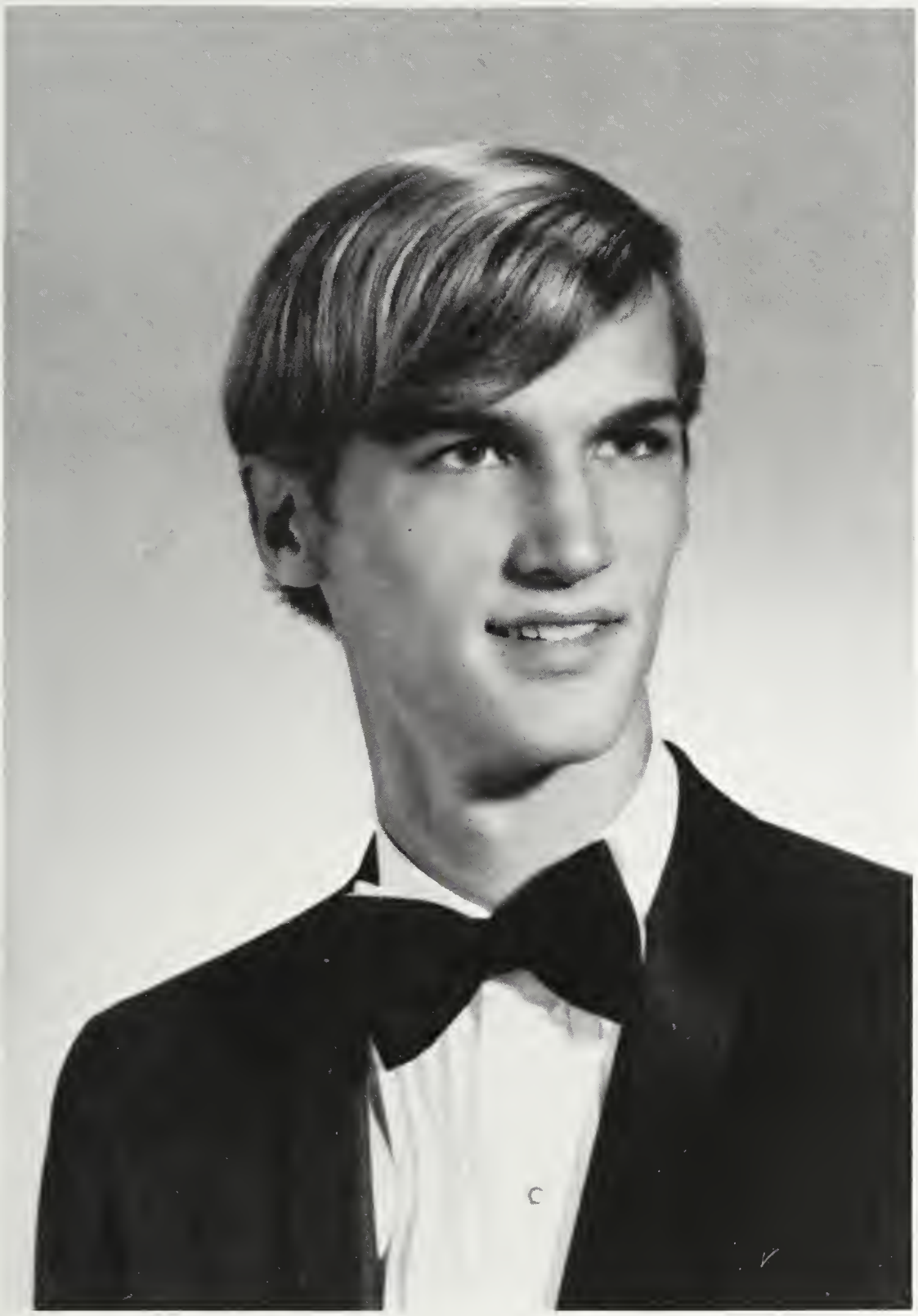


Charles Lee Jones

IN MEMORY OF



You cannot say,
  You must not say
That he is dead.
  He is just away!
With a cheery smile
  and a wave of the hand
He has wandered into
  an unknown land
And left us dreaming
  how very fair
Needs must be,
  since he lingers there,
So think of him faring on,
  as dew
In the love of there
  as in the love of here,
Think of him still
  as the same, and way,
He is not dead,
  he is just away!
    James Whitcomb Riley

Glenn Addison Payne, Jr.

President, Senior Class

Drum Major, N.C.H.S. Band

GUIDANCE SERVICES

ADMINISTRATION

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The administration of Nelson County High School is seriously concerned with the education of each student. It is their aim to familiarize the student with the opportunities an education may bring. As well as presenting the rigorous academic side of an education, many extra-curricular activities are also provided for the benefit of the students. Mr. William J. Bloomer, Principal, and Mr. Cleveland Price, Jr., Assistant Principal, are doing a remarkable job in carrying out these duties. To these men we say a special "Thank you".

Mr. William J. Bloomer
Virginia Polytechnic Institute, B.S., University of Virginia, M.Ed.

Mrs. Evans (standing) and Mrs. Quick (seated)

Mr. Cleveland Price, Jr.
North Carolina State University, B.S.

GUIDANCE

The guidance department is one of the most important departments to a student. Through the help of Mrs. Catherine H. Whitehead, Mrs. Lillian R. Coleman, and Mr. DeForest Ingersoll, a student may find solutions to problems concerning school, as well as to those of a personal nature. The guidance personnel are also responsible for the scheduling of the many tests which are required throughout the year. It is in this department that a personal record is kept of each students' achievements to be used in the choice of a college or of a career. Also included in the guidance department this year is Mrs. Helen League, who is doing some of the secretarial work, in order to give the counselors more time to spend with the students.

Mrs. Lillian Coleman
University of Virginia, B.S., M.Ed.

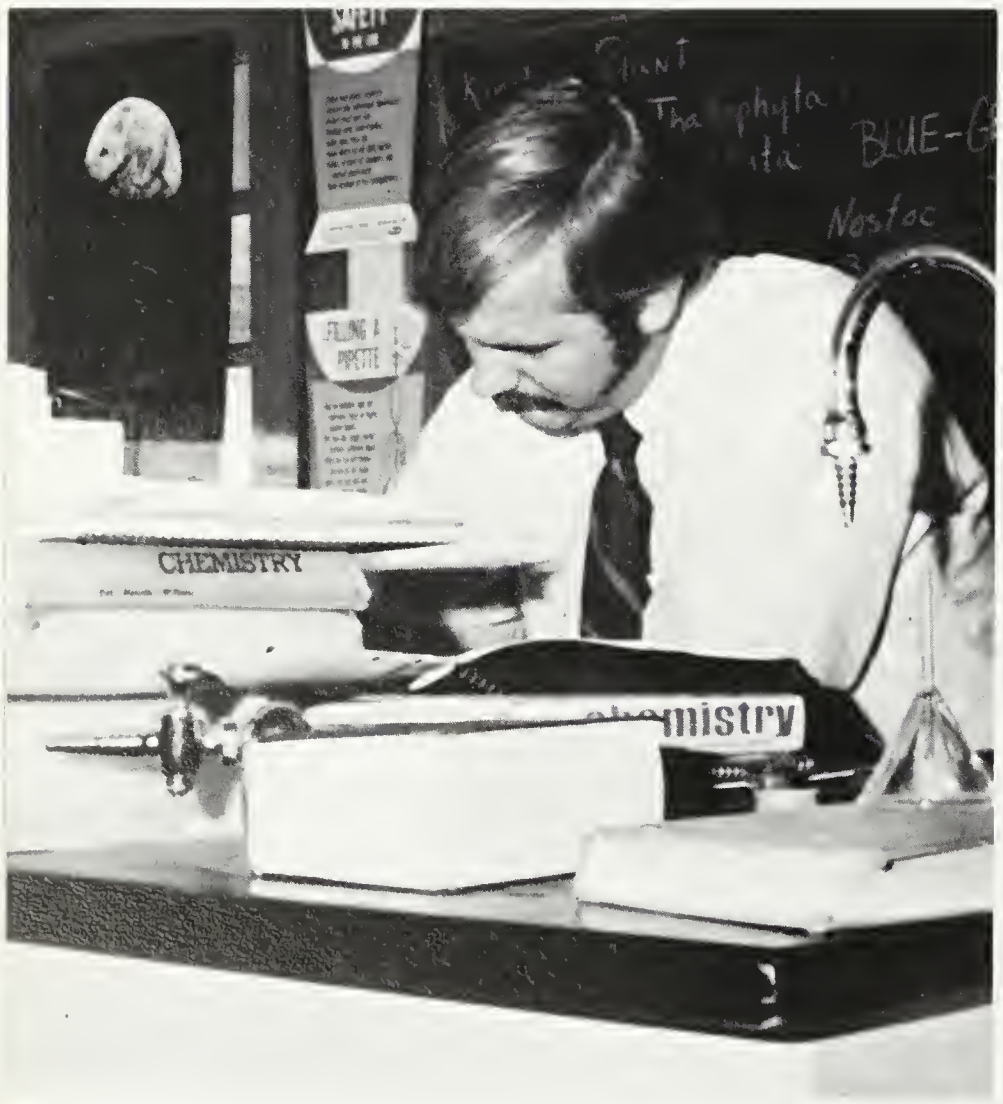
Mr. DeForest Ingersoll
Duke University, B.A., University of Virginia, M.Ed.

Mrs. Catherine H. Whitehead
Alabama College, B.A., University of Virginia, M.Ed.

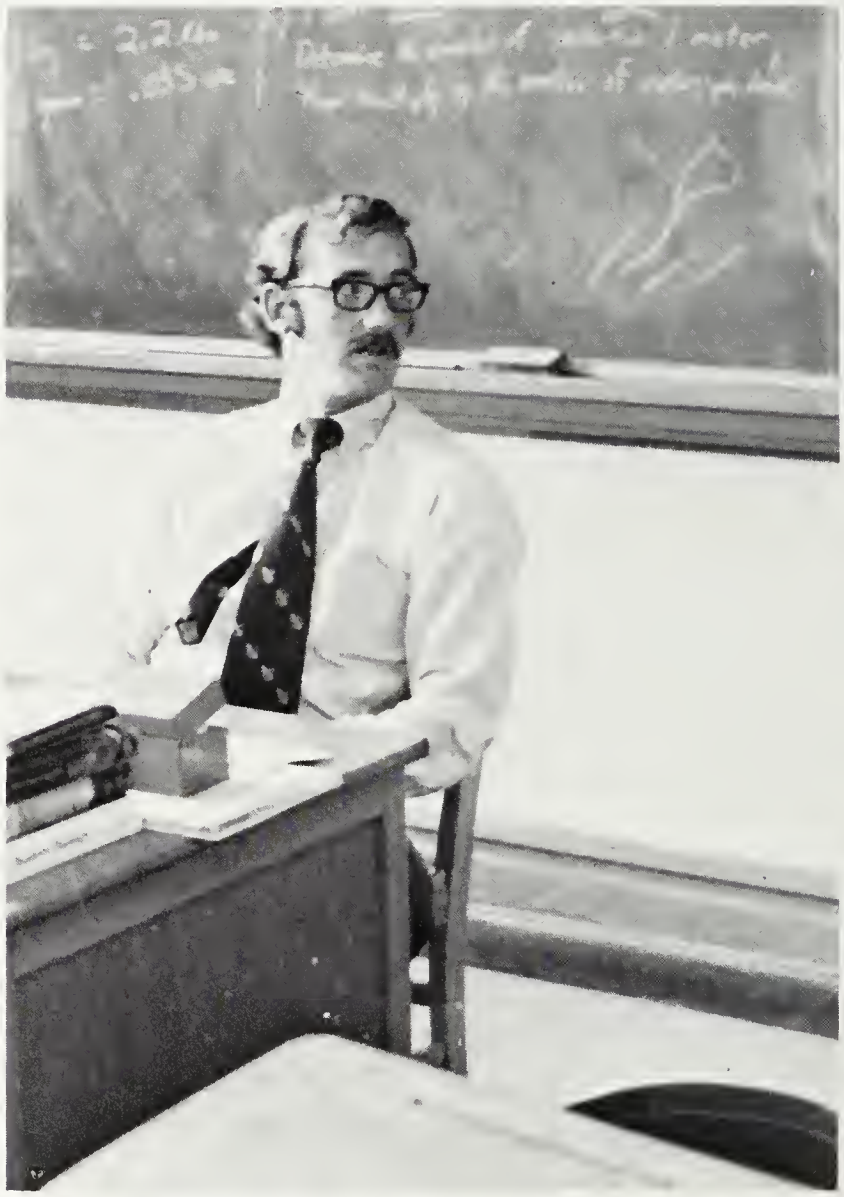
In a time of space travel, pollution, color television and sauna belts, the need for every individual to have a knowledge of basic scientific principles is indeed increasing. The science department hopes to instill in each student a desire for scientific inquiry so that he might develop both a knowledge and an appreciation for the ever-growing "world of science".

Mr. John White
Lynchburg College, B.A., University of Virginia, M.Ed.

SCIENCE



Mr. Gary Bugg
Lynchburg College, B.S.



Mr. Jack Sellers
Lynchburg College, B.S.

Mrs. Caroline Tucker
University of North Carolina, B.A.

It is not possible to understand what is in the minds of other people without understanding their language, and without understanding their language it is impossible to be sure that they understand what is in our minds. Each language, including our own, is a delicate precision tool of immense potential value.

Mr. Larry Baker
University of Virginia, B.A., M.A.

Mrs. Marion Bragg
Lynchburg College, B.A.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE

ENGLISH

The English Department takes an active part in the development of each NCHS student, as he takes English each year of his experience here. The most ambitious goals of the English Department include preparing the student to think for himself and communicate with others through the written and spoken word.

Mrs. Clara Thompson
Virginia State College, B.A., Hampton Institute, M.A.

Mrs. Eleanor Dawson
University of Georgia, B.A.

Mrs. Anne Lawhorne
University of Virginia, B.S.

Mr. Herbert Cummins
Fredrick College, B.A.

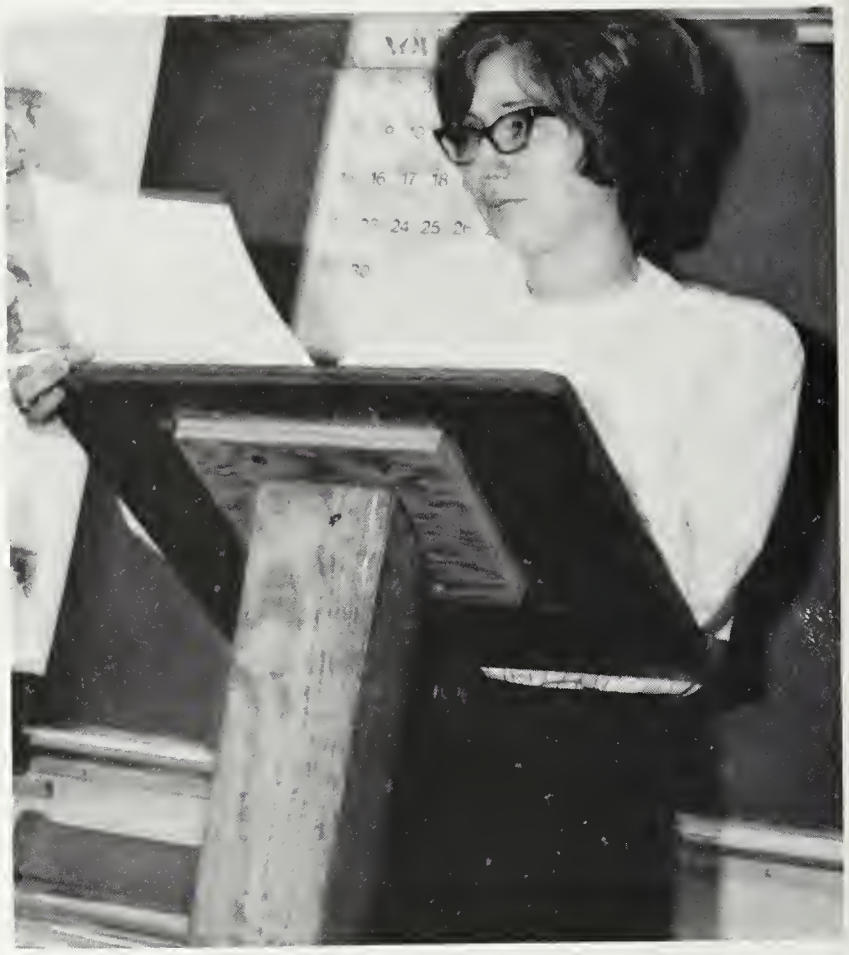
Mrs. Eleanor Carter
Converse College, B.A.

Miss Patricia Driskill
Emory and Henry, B.A.

ENGLISH

SOCIAL STUDIES

Mrs. Gail Burkey
Longwood College, B.S.



Miss Sandra White
Longwood College, B.A.

Miss Antoinette Verduce
Madison College, B.S.

Miss Nina Garrett
Madison College, B.S.

Mr. Stephen Davis
Bridgewater College, B.A.

SOCIAL STUDIES

Miss Antoinette Verduce
Madison College, B.S.

The Mathematics Department in the year 1970-1971 has as its objectives! To continue the self evaluation that was started in the 1969-1970 school year, to evaluate the multi-level Math 9 program that was begun this year, to coordinate the high school program with the Junior High School program and to search for new ways to improve the effectiveness of our teching activities.

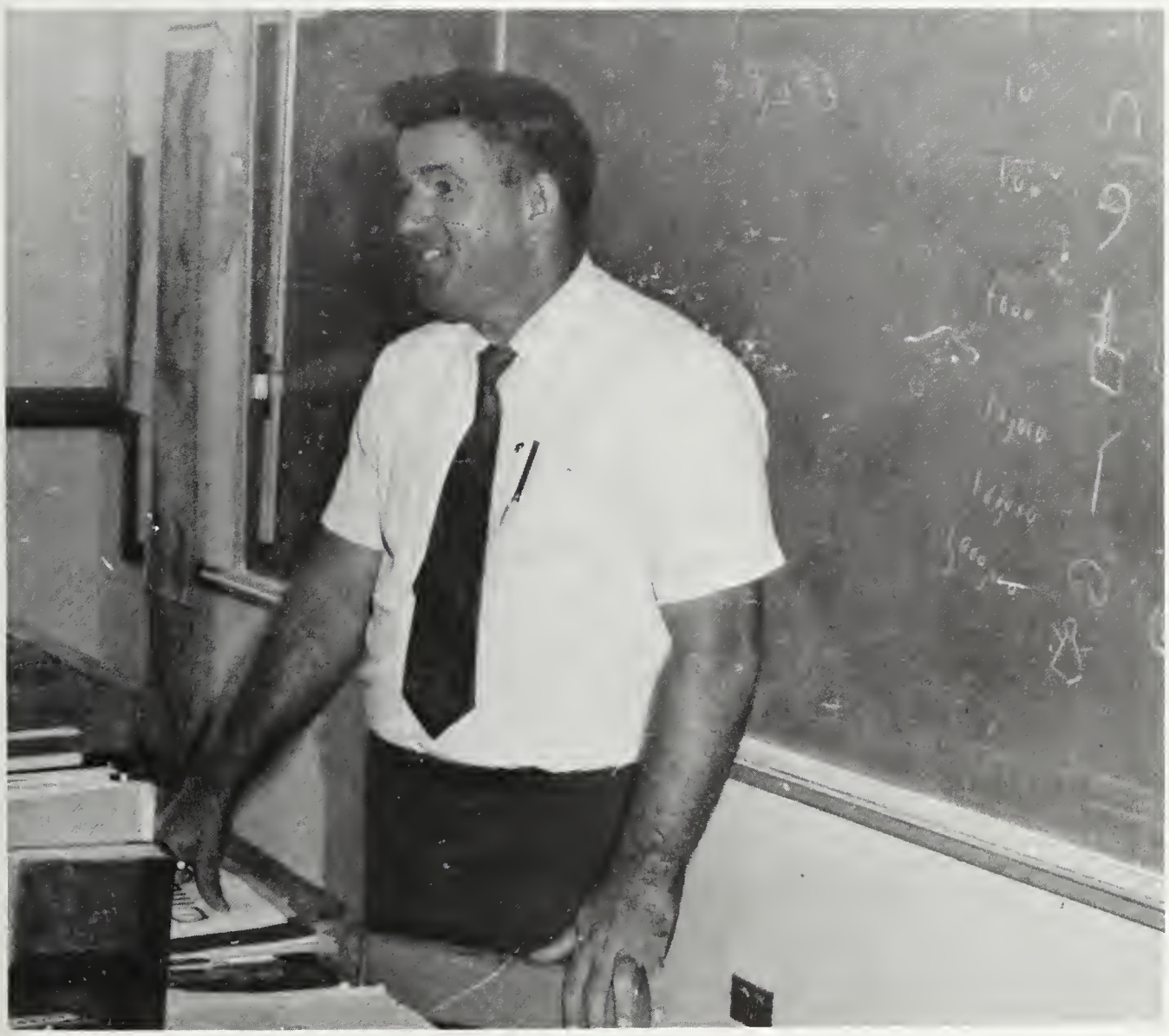
Mr. William Dickinson
Wake Forest University, B.A.

MATHEMATICS

Miss Bette Cauwenberg
Sweet Briar College, B.A.

Miss Lucy Massie
University of Virginia, B.S.

Mr. Henry Dawson
Piedmont College, B.S.



Mr. William Moxley
East Texas State University, B.S., M.S.

MATH

LIBRARIAN

It is the purpose of the library to discuss ways of improving services in the library: And to broaden the students' learning experiences.

Mrs. Shirley Sullivan
Madison College, B.A.

SPECIAL EDUCATION

Special Education is an integral part of any educational system. Emphasis is placed on individual instruction at the student level of ability. Miss Swanson, the new instructor, is doing a fine job in this department and her efforts are quite evidently leading her students along the road to higher education.

Miss Sue Swanson
Madison College, B.A

Vernon T. Lewis
West Texas State University, B.S.

Mrs. Delores D. Truesdale
Virginia State College, B.S.

Miss Lucy Massie
University of Virginia, B.S.

FINE ARTS

Mrs. Mary Roberts
Longwood College, B.S., Virginia Polytechnic Institute, M.Ed.

Mrs. Jo Anne Cummins
Fredrick College, B.S.

BUSINESS

Mrs. Clara Shelton
Bennett College, B.A.

Mrs. Catherine Lincoln
Madison College, B.S.

DRIVER EDUCATION

Mr. Curtis Truesdale
Allen University, B.S.

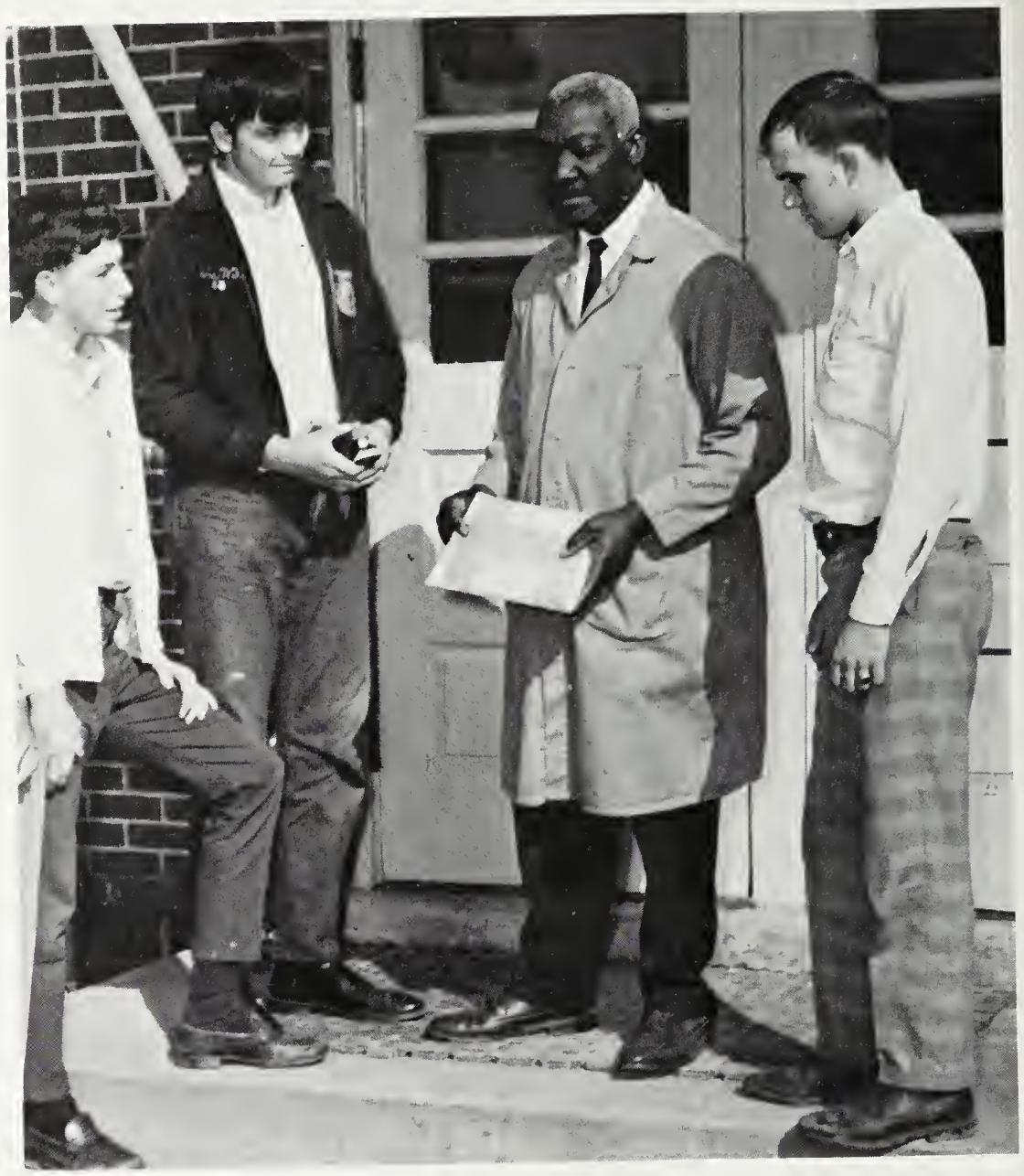
The Business Department has a threefold objective; namely, vocational training, personal-use training, and a supplement to general education.

A total of twenty classes a day are taught by the four teachers in this department. Course offerings include: General Business, Non-Vocational and Vocational Recordkeeping, bookkeeping, Typewriting I, and II, Secretarial and Clerical Office Practice.

The vocational students are encouraged to follow either the complete secretarial or clerical tracks. After having successfully completed all the subjects in one of these tracks, the student should be able to perform a majority of the duties required in a general business office.

Also included in the course offerings are several subjects which may be selected by students to meet personal needs or to help increase one's general knowledge of the business world.

VOCATION-AGRICULTURE and HOME ECONOMICS



The Vocational Department is designed to extend a student's knowledge in such fields as agriculture, mechanics (for the boys), and home economics (for girls). Mr. Hankins, Mr. Puckett, Mrs. Parr, and Mrs. Giles do a fine job of leading their students into a world of vocational opportunities.

Mr. Warren E. Hankins
A. and T. University, B.S., M.S.

Mr. Harris Puckett
University of Virginia, B.S., V.P.I., M.Ed.

Mrs. Nancy T. Parr
Radford College, B.S.

Mrs. Elma F. Giles
Radford College, B.S.

Mr. Sherman League
Shepard College, B.A.

Mr. Eddie Witt
William and Mary, B.A.

For the student's mind to be sharp and alert, his body must also be in a good physical state. Rigorous exercise, inter-squad competition, and other such activities train the students of NCHS in co-operativeness and sportsmanship. Class room education on health and hygiene and problems of youth today form an awareness of and foresight of the future. The efforts of Mr. Sherman League, athletic director, and his colleagues, Mr. Eddie Witt, Miss Connie Nimmo, and Mrs. Anna Leigh Greene, are evident in the honors brought home by the well-trained sportsmen (and women) of NCHS.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

"I'm gonna tell my Mommy!"

PHYS. ED.

Mrs. Anna Leigh Greene
Marshall University, B.S.

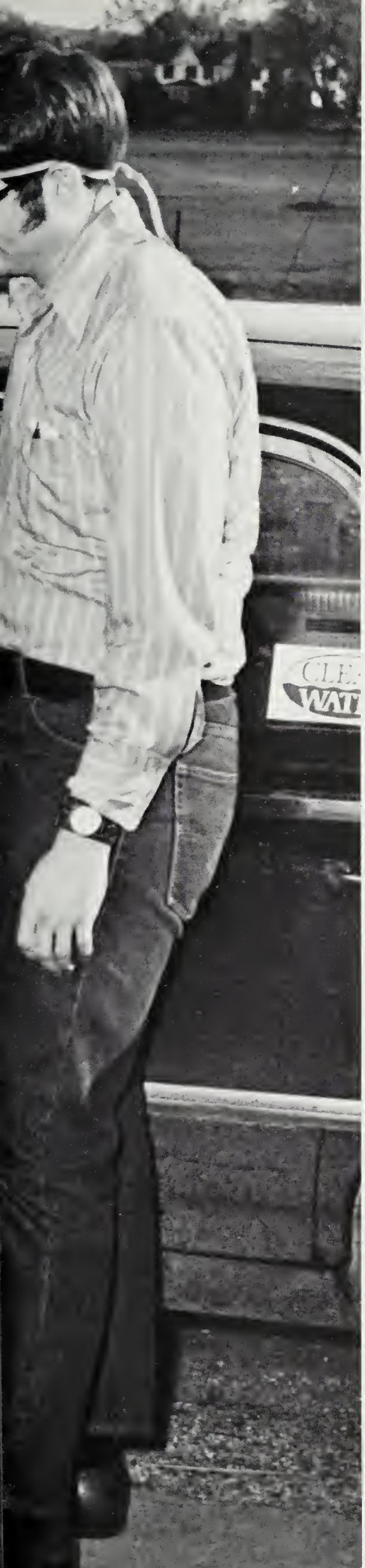
Miss Connie Nimmo
Marshall University, A.B.

CAFETERIA STAFF

Mrs. Margaret Hill, Mrs. Mildred Foster, Miss Catherine Hall, and Mrs. Lois White.

Mr. Preston Foster

CUSTODIAN



ACTIVITIES

MONOGRAM CLUB

These students have earned the letter "N" for participation in sports.

Row one: L. Robertson, B. Snead, M. Lawhorne, M. Thompson, F. Browning, R. Pannell, K. Payne. Row two: J. Allen, S. Jenkins, L. Thompson, C. Green, L. Jones, D. McFadden, A. Tyree, L. Spencer, M. Harris, and J. Harris. Row three: D. Hall, B. Morris, L. Ferguson, L. Snead, K. Fields, W. McCartney, and S. Stevens.

FBLA

DEBATE CLUB

Row one: Mr. Cummins, sponsor, J. McCarthy, M. Huffman, S. Powell, J. Fortune, M. Campbell, B. Wycliffe, J. Wilson, P. Lewis, M. Irving, R. Durrette, W. Mitchell, C. Shelton, D. Couch, J. Cagle, K. Crady, and J. Tucker.

Row one: A. Taylor, P. Lewis, and L. Spencer. Row two: P. LeDoux, L. Bradley, B. Massie, B. Sprouse, G. Epps, S. Campbell, R. Adams, L. Ferguson, and Mrs. Sullivan, sponsor.

LIBRARY CLUB

STUDENT COOPERATIVE

The Council votes on many major issues in the school.

The 1970-71 Student Cooperative Association representatives.

ASSOCIATION

S.C.A. officers are-Reporter, Thea Hughes; Vice-President, Jean Bragg; President, Mike Kidd; Secretary, Jackie Clark; and Parliamentarian, Greta Epps.

HONOR SOCIETY

Row one: M. Oakrum, J. Quick. Row two: T. Hughes, D. Tomlin, J. Bragg, B. Massie, L. Cooke, F. Browning, K. Fields, T. Wood, and D. Thurnau. Row three: G. Giles, L. Tucker, and A. Hickman. Row four: M. Kidd.

Gary Giles sells paper to Tom Bruguiere in the Honor Society Supply Store.

French Club officers are: Row one: John Quick, Reporter; Louise Cooke, President; Courtney Heath, Sec.-treasurer; and Teresa Wood, Vice-President, and club members

French Club members pose for a picture during a meeting.

FRENCH CLUB

ANNUAL STAFF

Louise Cooke and Donna Branch, layout editors, work hard to meet that first deadline.

Debbie Moore writes copy, while Teresa Wood looks at a magazine.

Pam Thompson and Kathy Fields are responsible for all typing in the yearbook.

Sports editors Anita White and Phil North puzzle over layout for the football section.

Marilyn Harris appears to be daydreaming while Lois Allen totals receipts: another busy day for the business editors.

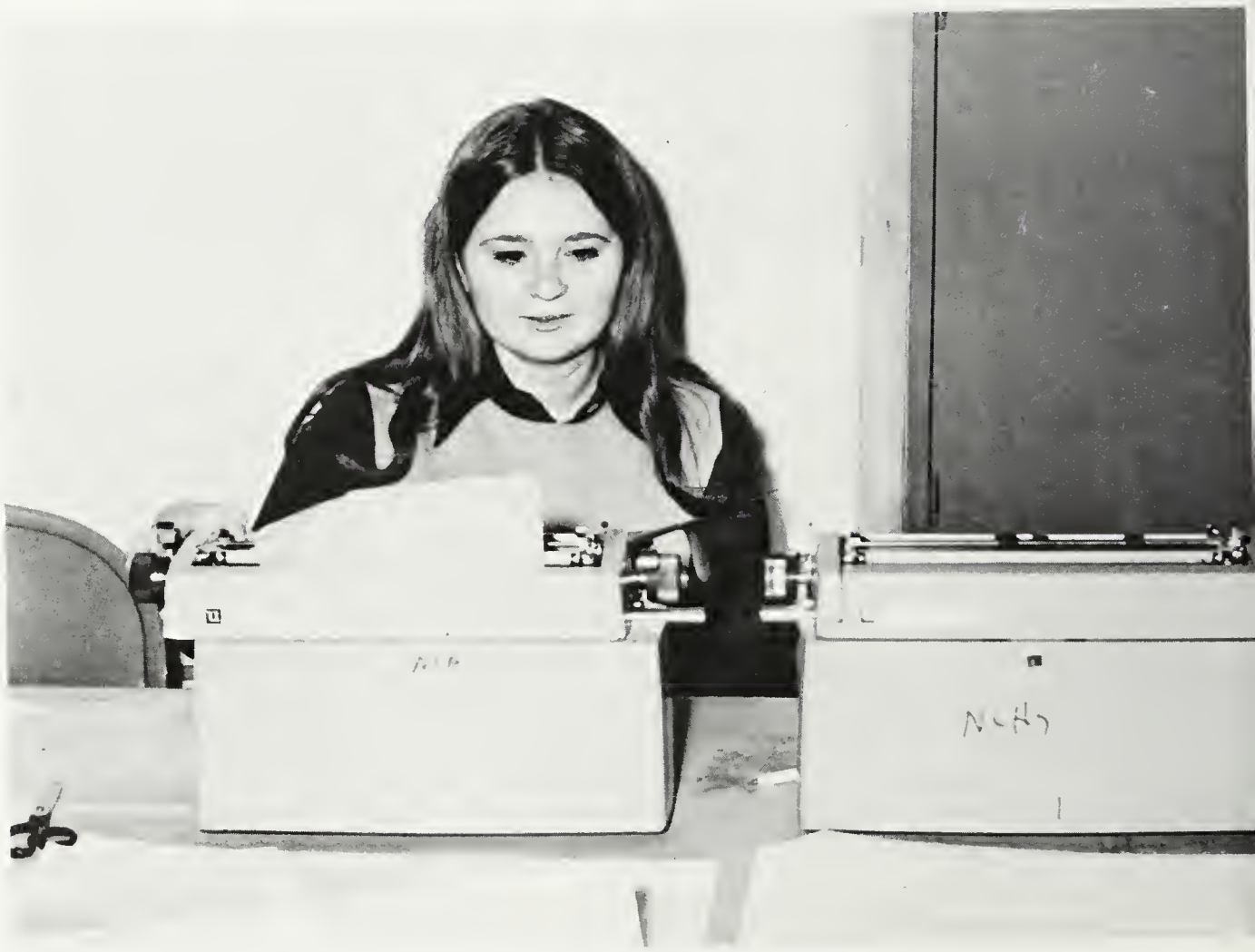
"H E L P!" It seems that annual members aren't pleased with the editor's opinion.

Traveling annual members thumb a ride to solicit ads. Think they got one?

ANNUAL STAFF

EDITORS

Donnie Harvey—Editor.



Sandra Snell—Assistant Editor.

FORENSICS

Mr. Cummins, sponsor, seems very perplexed with Marsha "Dictator" Drumheller's choice of poetry reading.

Forensic members look forward to a "champion year," as they look for a spot in the trophy case.

DRAMA CLUB

Drama Club officers are: Billy Mays, President; Don Harvey, Vice President; and Anita White, Secretary-treasurer. Mrs. Carter and Mrs. Lawhorne are sponsors.

Billy counts votes as members decide to have a dance after semester exams.

DRAMA CLUB

Last year in the spring one-act play festival, Nelson County won a superior rating and second place for The Happy Journey from Trenton to Camden. They are Billy Mays, Sandra Snell, Pattie Campbell, Carl Raines, Don Harvey, and Barbara Fitzgerald.

The two sponsors and Dianne Woodson discuss plans for a spring play with president Billy Mays.

NEWSPAPER STAFF

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Sewing machines make more fuss than a tractor-trailer.

Want some of my witch's brew?

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Miss Umble sponsors this club whose goal is to learn of new aspects in the nursing career.

CHORUS

The Nelson County High School Chorus is under the direction of Mrs. Truesdale.

CHORUS

Chorus members practice for perfection with Mrs. Truesdale at the piano.

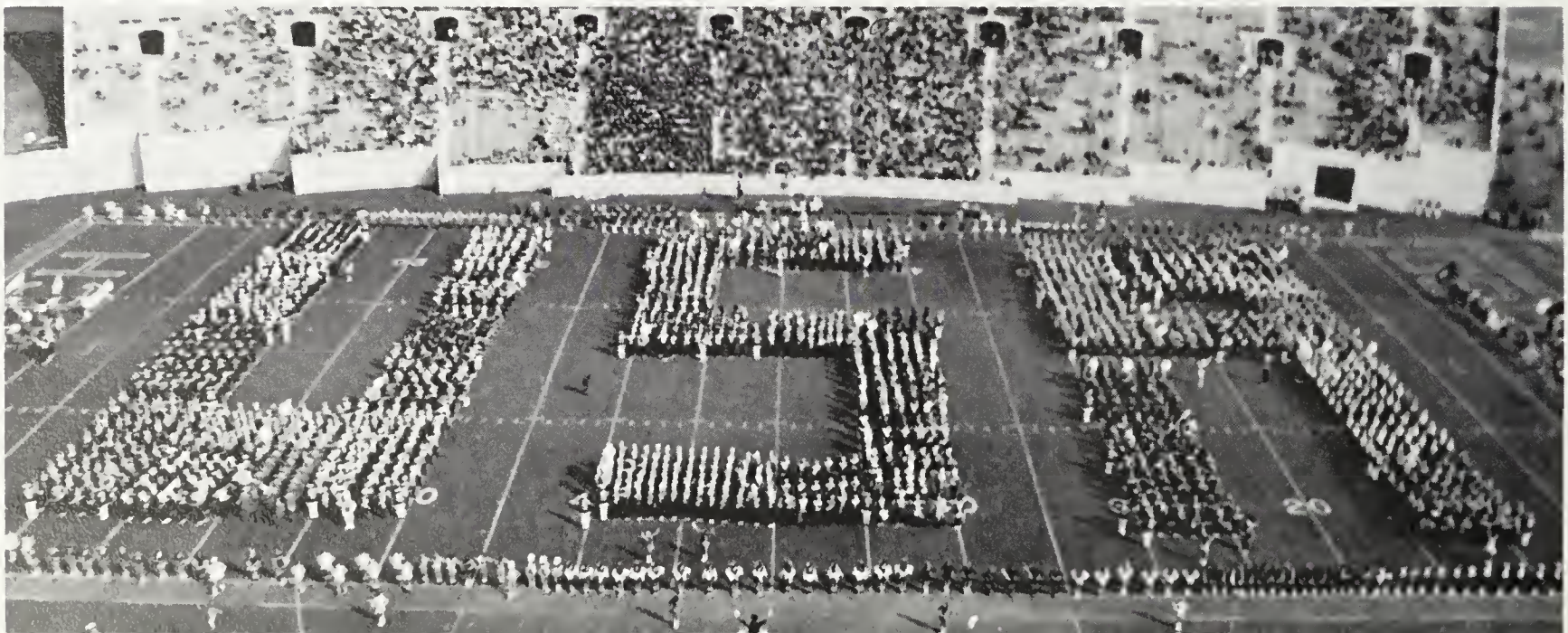
The group sang before the school at a Christmas assembly.

BAND

The Nelson County High School Concert Band.

Our band participated in the Band Day at V.P.I.

The Nelson County High School Marching Band.



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Majorettes are Starlet Stevens, Anita White, and Shirley Thomas.

All District Band Members are Kirt Crady, Brenda Banks, Suzanne Eggleston, Mark Garwood, Betty Gardner, Barry Lewis, Patricia Bryant, Roberta Floyd, Marty Gamble, Richard Moon, and Bunk Dawson.

FUTURE TEACHERS OF AMERICA

Debbie Tomlin, President, presides at a meeting. Members are: Row one: T. Wood, J. Clarke, D. Moore, M. Drumheller, and J. McCarthy. Row Two: P. Stratton, C. Stratton, C. Hancock, R. Duncan, and G. Ferguson. Row three: D. Thurnau, Vice President, P. Lewis, Secretary-Treasurer; and Miss White, sponsor.

SPORTS

NELSON COMPILES 4-4-2 RECORD

Kneeling (left to right): M. Hamill, C. Evans, J. Campbell. Row 1: D. Williams, S. Knight, J. Fields, L. Franklin, M. McCarthy, T. Harvey, R. Martin, P. Carter, M. Greene, L. Morse. Row 2: S. Reznick, B. Tucker, C. Bryant, B. Goad, C. Gaines, D. Coffey, D. Duncan, M. Bullock, R. Horsley, R. Ross. Row 3: Coach Truesdale, L. Loving, M. Ferguson, R. Ragland, M. Davidson, W. Farrar, T. Campbell, P. Payne IV, B. Habel, W. Ragland, Coach League

The Governor's football season got off to a slow start but finished with a record of 4-4-2. The defensive unit pulled several games out of the fire of defeat. Though the team did not compile a championship record, they displayed school spirit on the field as well as off. One of the most important and thrilling games of the season was when the mighty Governors defeated the top rank Altavista Colonels with a close score of 7 to 6.

Coach League tells another "locker room" story!

VARSITY FOOTBALL

DEFENSIVE TEAM

The Nelson County High School defense proved a menace to many opposing teams in the district.

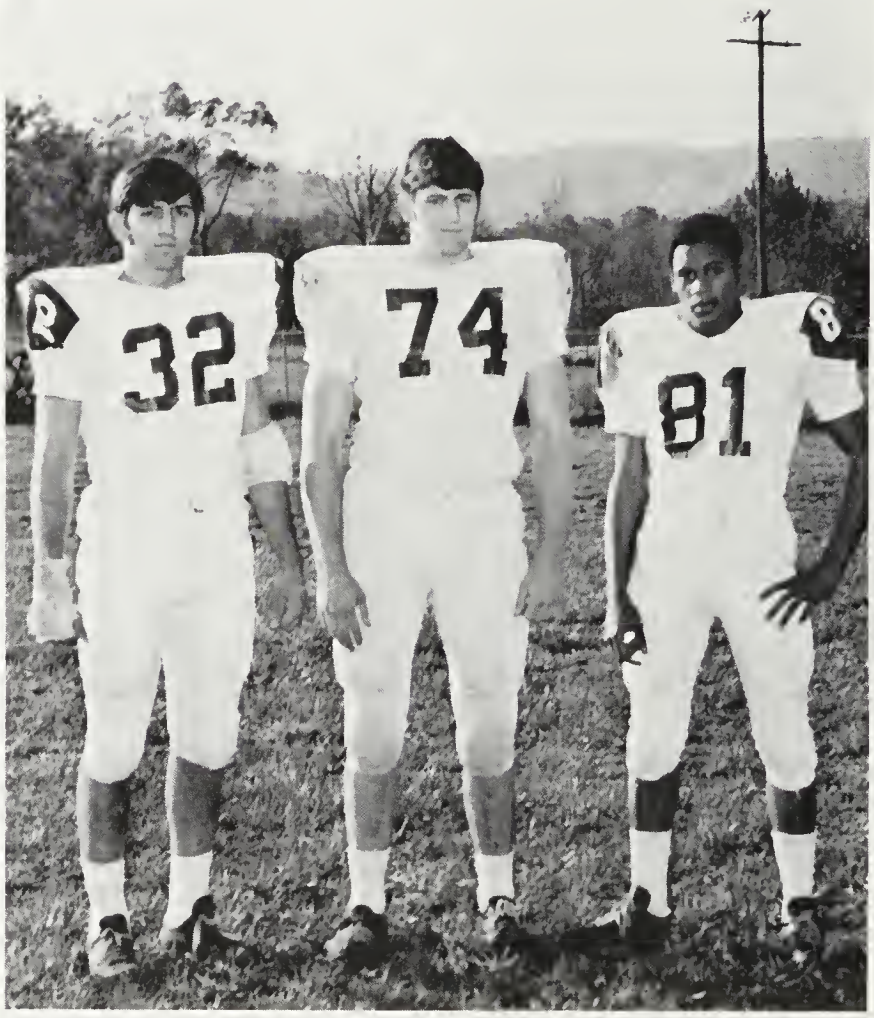
OFFENSIVE TEAM

With the high scoring of Mitch Ferguson and Mel Green, and the power pass of Tommy Harvey, the offensive team lead Nelson to a winning season.

Mel Green intercepts a ball intended for that other guy.

The offense moves deep into opponent's territory and . . . .

. . . Mitch goes around the end for a TD.



Tri-captains are Mitch Ferguson, Mike Davidson, and Mel Green.

Nelson	8	Brookville	8
Nelson	6	Stanton River	6
Nelson	0	Buckingham	28
Nelson	28	William Campbell	14
Nelson	8	Appomatox	27
Nelson	6	Buena Vista	29
Nelson	22	Goochland	16
Nelson	12	Gretna	13
Nelson	25	Rustburg	7
Nelson	7	Altavista	6

Mr. League has spent many hours training our boys to get that ball over the goal line.

Tommy Harvey shows passing power.

We didn't get anywhere on that play.

Let me have it!

Kathy dreams of another touchdown.

As cheerleaders encircle the fire . . .

. . . screams for victory are heard.

Debbie Moore

Thea Hughes—Head Cheerleader

Jo Ann Fields

SENIOR CHEERLEADERS

VARSITY CHEERLEADERS

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Patsy Parr

Barbara Jordan

Patti Campbell

Diane Woodson

Celene Johnson

The 1970-71 Cheerleading Squad.

JUNIOR VARSITY CHEERLEADERS

J.V. cheerleaders: Betty Gardner, Carolyn Evans, Barbara Whitehead, Cindy McGann, and Nannette Peverill.

J.V. Head Cheerleader: Barbara Whitehead.

VARSITY BASKETBALL

Coach Price C. Scott, N. Campbell, J. Spears, B. Goad, L. Robinson, H. Gray, G. Purvis, L. Morse, C. Bowling, J. Stratton, and W. Morse.

Coach C. M. Price with Tri-captains; John Spears, Harry Gray, and Charles Bowling.

The Varsity Basketball Team started the season strong with three consecutive wins, then dropped to a losing streak of seven games. As of press time, the Nelson Governors were in fifth place in the district with a 4-8 record. Charles Bowling and John Spears were in the district, and promised the Governors some exciting games.

This is the first and only girls' track team in the Seminole District. It is composed of girls who show outstanding qualifications in the areas of distance running, broad jump, high jump, and shot put. Even though our girls have no challengers interfering with the chance of getting the trophy, we are equally proud of them. Elizabeth Harris has given our school tremendous support through her athletic accomplishments. She is not only State Champion in her events, but also competed in the national Junior Olympics and came in third place.

Row One: M. Jacques, D. Woodson, H. Smith, M. Irving, C. Shelton, C. Jones, and A. Irving. Row Two: Miss Nimmo, Coach, I. Irving, D. Epps, K. Lincoln, L. Miles, E. Harris, J. Awkward, S. Fleming, P. Jones, and Mrs. Greene, Coach.

Shot Put: Dianne Woodson

Kathy and Martha begin a series of sprints.

Dianne Epps is our high-jumper.

Elizabeth Harris is our star "cinderlady".

John practices before the Brookville game.

"Basketball! Don't fall on me!"

Sink it!

John and Charles bring the ball down court.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Kneeling: J. Bragg, G. Epps. Standing: L. Miles, M. Irving, C. Gordon, K. Lincoln, D. Epps, D. Branch, D. Smith, J. Tucker, E. Greene, M. Rose, G. Ferguson, Mrs. Greene, and Miss Nimmo, Coaches.

Another "swish" and a point.

Greta strains to get that ball.

Scorekeepers are Sharon Kirtley, Beverley Martin, and Hazel Smith.

J.V. Basketball: Kneeling: J. Campbell: T. Napier, K. Haywood, S. Saunders, T. Bowling, R. Hancock, B. Parrish, E. Dodd, B. Campbell, C. Ferguson, J. Ross, and P. Campbell.

JUNIOR VARSITY BASKETBALL

OUTDOOR TRACK COMPETES

The trackmen of Nelson High School are preparing to compete for District Championship, and after that, they plan to capture the state title. Head coach Eddie Witt led the cindermen to the District Indoor Championship at Lynchburg College, and the State Indoor Championship. If the Governors win the District honors, it will be the 14th out of 15 years that the powerful Governors have won top honors.

Row one: Coach Eddie Witt, R. Ragland, J. Henderson, A. Johnson, M. Davidson. Row two: C. Bowling, M. Henderson, D. Gaines, M. Barbour, G. Woodson, J. Gray. Row three: A. Dotson, R. Ramsey, K. Crady, S. Saunders, C. Ballowe, M. McCarthy, H. Gray, C. Evans. Row four: Coach Gary Bugg, S. Reznick, M. Allen, H. White, D. Couch, S. Rose, B. Payne, and J. Allen.

Shot-put: Mike Davidson and Ron Ragland.

Kneeling: M. Allen, S. Saunders, R. Ramsey, S. Rose, J. Gray. Standing: M. Henderson, J. Henderson, A. Johnson, G. Woodson, D. Gaines.

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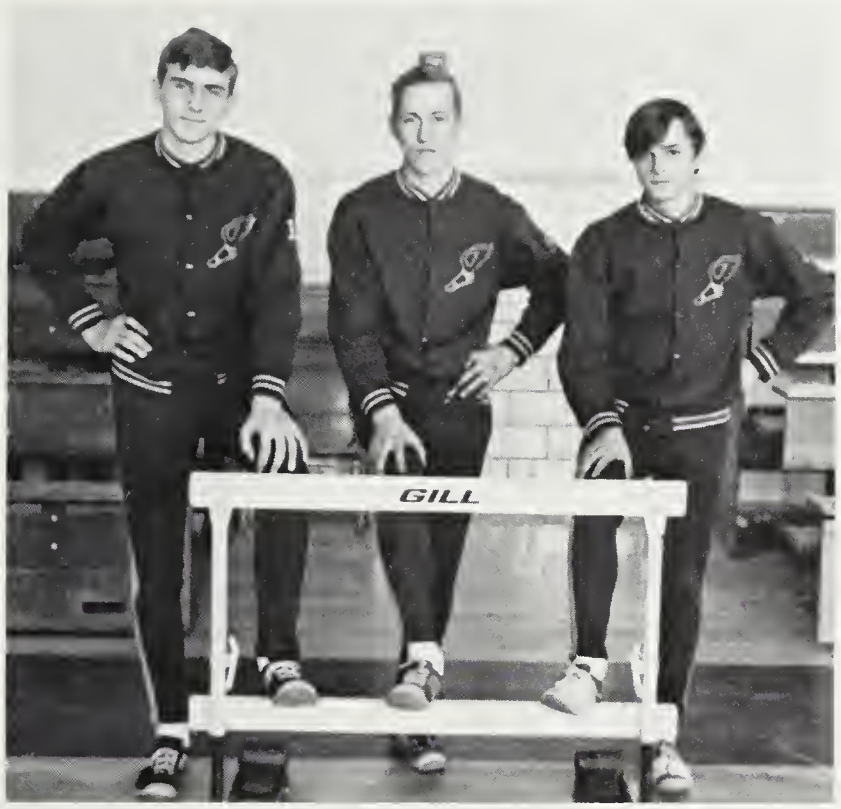


Outdoor Hurdlers: C. Ballowe, A. Dotson, S. Reznick.

Outdoor Captains: J. Henderson, M. Davidson, A. Johnson

CROSS COUNTRY-STATE CHAMPS

Row one: Co-captains: A. Johnson, J. Henderson. Row two: A. Dotson, J. Gray, C. Ballowe, and R. Ramsey. Row three: J. Stratton, D. Gaines, H. Gray, G. Woodson, S. Saunders, and Coach Eddie Witt.

Cross-country is a sport that requires mental perserverance and miles and miles of practice. The N.C.H.S. team has accomplished and proved this with their various trophies. Led by captains, Arthur Johnson and John Henderson, the team compiled a champion record, winning both district and state cross-country track.

INDOOR TRACK SWEEPS STATE

The indoor track team this year had one of its best seasons. The Governors won both the District and State Championships respectively and hope to repeat their victories next year.

Row one: Tri-captains: J. Henderson, M. Davidson, A. Johnson. Row two: G. Woodson, D. Gaines, A. Dotson, C. Ballowe, B. Lewis, K. Crady, J. Gray, R. Ramsey, and B. Deane. Row three: R. Rucker, M. Bulluck, M. Payne, W. Crocker, M. McCarthy, B. Payne, and D. Couch. Row four: Coach Gary Bugg, M. Henderson, M. Barber, T. Johnson, R. Horsley, M. Gray, R. Ragland, S. Reznick, and Coach Eddie Witt.

GIRLS SOFTBALL

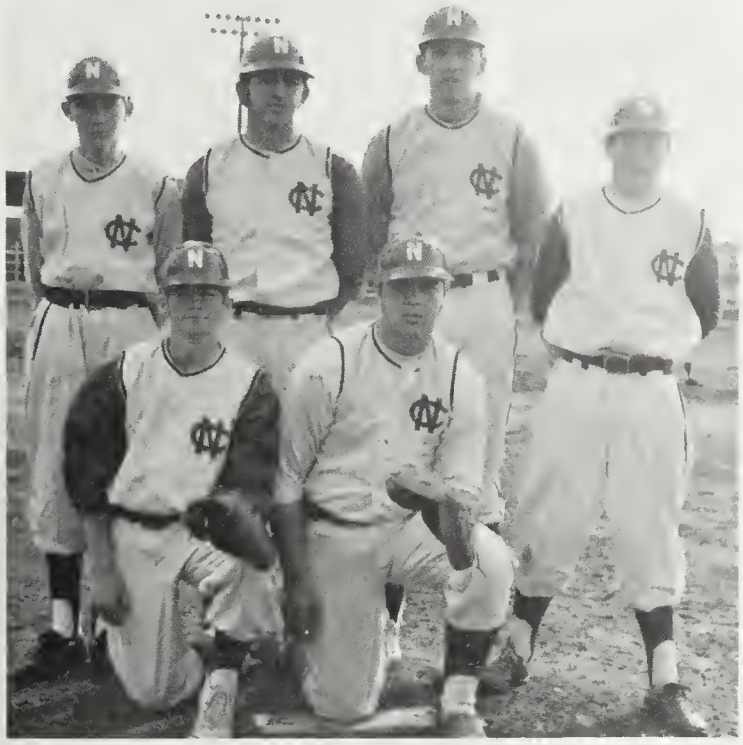
Miss Nimmo, Elizabeth Greene, D. Epps, L. Miles, G. Epps, H. Smith, M. Irving, C. Shelton, A. Irving, P. Napier, J. Awkard, Mrs. Green.

The girls' softball team had the largest turnout for tryouts that they have had in many years. The girls have the spirit and determination to get out on that ball diamond and give Nelson High a winning season. Miss Nimmo and Mrs. Greene are coaches this year and they are enthusiastic about the team. Although the staff did not have ample time to record and observe their games, we are sure that our girls will represent our school well.

Phyllis Napier, Janet Awkward, and Alice Irving practice.

BASEBALL

Row one: J. Campbell, G. Nickell, D. Ferguson, G. Fields, B. Campbell, J. Fields, D. Kidd, R. Fields. Row two: M. Hamill, D. Proffitt, Coach West, M. Garwood, M. Ferguson, T. Harvey, G. Purvis, C. Habel, B. Goad, B. Ferguson, W. Ragland, Coach Wood, S. Massie.



Catchers and Pitchers: D. Kidd, W. Ragland, M. Garwood, M. Ferguson, G. Purvis, B. Campbell.

Infielders: G. Nickell, D. Ferguson, G. Fields, D. Kidd, B. Goad, M. Ferguson, B. Ferguson, W. Ragland, D. Proffit.

Outfielders: Campbell, Fields, Harvey, Habel, Purvis, Massie.

The Governor baseball team had the first winning season in eight years last year with a record of eight wins to seven losses. Coach West seems to be even more optimistic this year and feels that the Governors will have an even better season than ever before. The 1971 Governor baseball team should provide some real excitement to Nelson fans.

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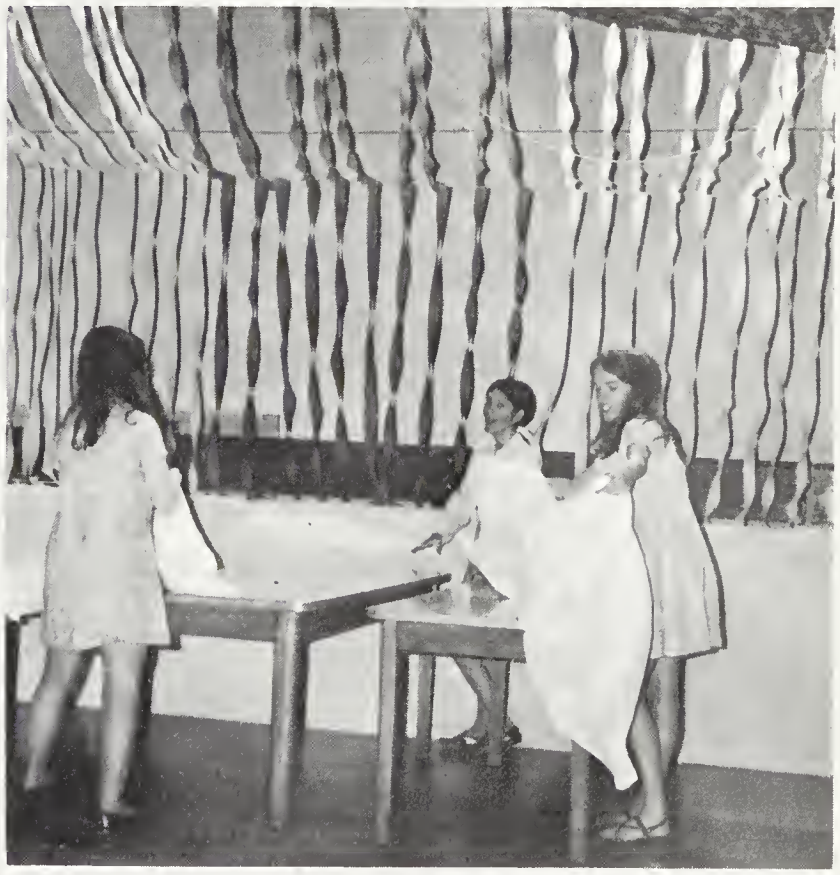

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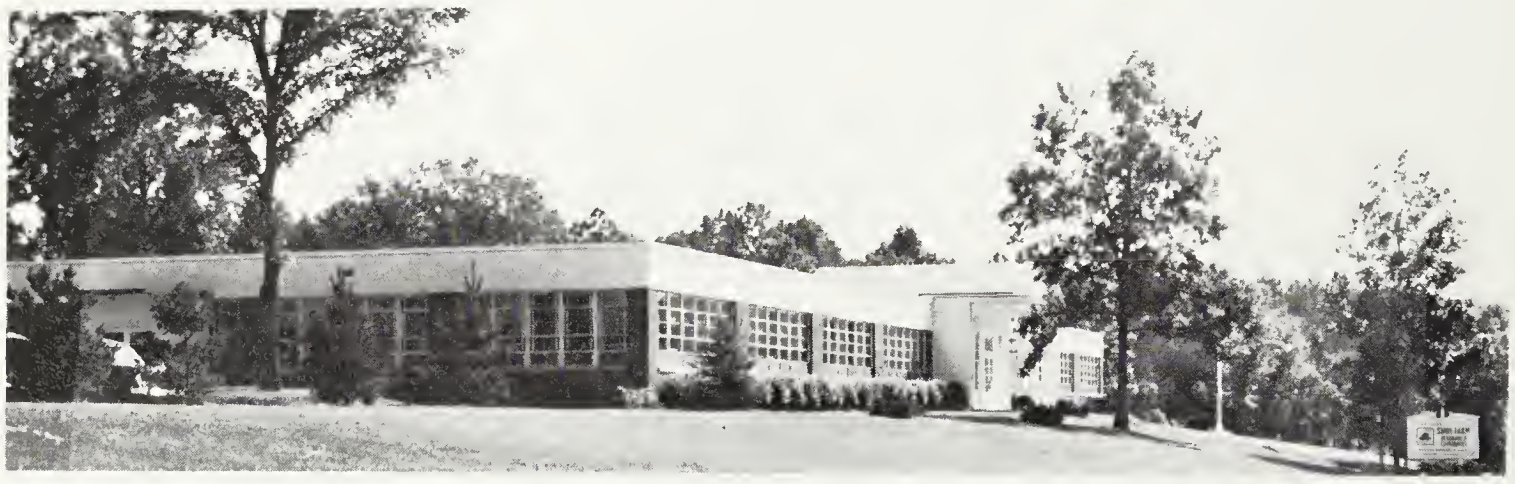

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make believe
That better days will come.

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Who is to say
The perfect year
Will not yet be here?

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